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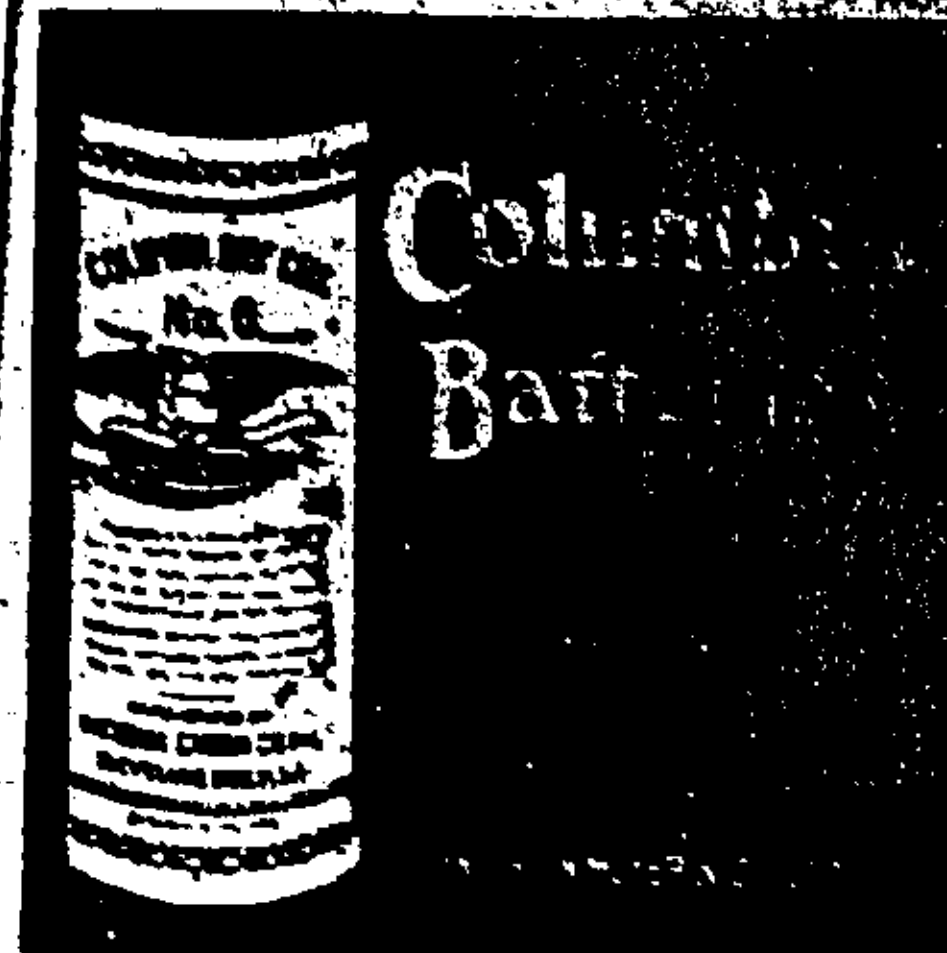


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TO-DAY'S BUDGET SPEECH.

PROPOSED INCREASE IN STAMP DUTIES.

Additional Hospitals for Hongkong and Kowloon.

New Gaol and Government Buildings.

NEARLY FIVE MILLIONS TO BE SPENT ON PUBLIC WORKS.

Today's meeting of the Legislative Council was noteworthy for the laying before members of the financial requirements of the Colony for the coming year. His Excellency the Governor (Sir Edward Stubbs, K.C.M.G.) delivering his annual Budget speech, on a Bill entitled an Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding \$14,084,482 to the Public Service for the year 1921, the first reading of which was moved by the Hon. Colonial Secretary (Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, C.B.E.) and agreed to. The second reading of the Bill will be taken on November 18, when Unofficial members will give their views on the Government proposals.

Main Features of the Budget.

His Excellency's speech is given fully below, the main points of which may be summarised as follows:—

The Credit Balance on December 31, 1919, was	\$ 4,290,188
Estimated Revenue for the Current Year	\$14,177,478
Estimated Expenditure for the Current Year	\$13,758,873
Estimated Revenue for 1921	\$15,336,350
Estimated Expenditure for 1921	\$17,349,150
Estimated Debit Balance on December 31, 1921	\$ 2,012,800

The main feature in the way of revenue for the coming year is that increased Stamp Duties are estimated to produce an additional \$1,000,000.

On the expenditure side provision is made for many improvements in the Colony a few of which may be enumerated:—

A six-story building is to be erected near the Central Market which will give accommodation to the Fire Brigade, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, the Imports and Exports Department, a Government Laboratory, and the P.C.M.O.

\$30,000 are set aside for a water works scheme for Fanling, the Government to take over the Golf Club's scheme and extend it for general use. A water supply is also to be provided for Repulse Bay.

\$40,000 have been provided for the commencement of a new Gaol on the Kowloon City Reclamation and a Police Training School will adjoin this new building.

Over \$300,000 have been provided to assist in the work of the Praya East Reclamation.

\$50,000 have been set aside to pay for the provision of a Hospital for Kowloon, and provision is also made for the reconstruction of Victoria Hospital and the building of a new maternity wing, whilst a proposal is made for an entirely new hospital to relieve the pressure at the Government Civil Hospital. This latter proposal will depend on the military lands question and work may not be commenced next year.

The reconstruction of Queen's Statue Wharf is provided for. \$500,000 is provided for the construction of additional officers' quarters.

The early provision of a motor bus service in Kowloon is indicated.

The recent revision of Civil Servants' salaries will cost the Colony an additional million dollars annually.

A record has been created in this Budget by the fact that no less a sum than \$1,957,409 has been set aside for Public Works Extraordinary.

Text of Speech.

His Excellency said:—In introducing the Estimates last year, I stated that the expenditure for 1919 was then expected to amount to \$15,078,600 leaving out of account the transactions in connection with the purchase and sale of rice. Actually the expenditure, including these transactions, amounted to \$17,915,925. The revised estimate of revenue for 1919 was \$17,056,410 but only \$16,524,975 was realised, with the result that the balance of assets over liabilities on 31st December, 1919, was \$4,290,188 instead of the estimated sum of \$7,658,948.

It is now estimated that the revenue for the current year will amount to \$14,177,478 or \$1,137,322 less than the original estimate. The deficit is more than accounted for by the reduction in the revenue from the Opium Monopoly from \$5 million to \$4½ million.

The expenditure for 1920 is now estimated at \$13,758,873 or \$1,177,643 less than the original estimate, the difference being due to the fact that over \$1 million less is being spent on Public Works Extraordinary than was originally anticipated.

The programme for 1920 was perhaps of a somewhat ambitious character and owing to the difficulties of obtaining supplies due to the disturbed state of the world in general it has proved impossible to carry out all the works which it was hoped to undertake.

The balance of assets at the end of the current year is now estimated at \$4,698,635.

The specific sums which we expect to receive under each sub-head of revenue are shown at pages 6 to 12 of the Estimates before you. It will be seen from the footnotes that a number of items are to be revised and the figures which are given for 1921 include the additional sum which will result from an increase in fees. For example Stamp Duties are put at \$2,100,000 in place of \$1,100,000 it being the intention to increase considerably the majority of fees which are paid in stamps. A committee is now sitting to consider the details of the charges which are necessary to secure this result. The necessity for taking steps to increase the revenue in this way arises from the fact that, as I predicted last year, in speaking on the Budget debate, the revenue from the Opium Monopoly has been still further diminished. There has been during the current year a considerable reduction in the consumption of the Monopoly's product, a position which though unfortunate in its financial aspect is gratifying from a wider point of view. On the latest figures available we do not feel justified in anticipating a revenue of more than \$4,000,000 from this source in 1921, that is a reduction of \$2,000,000 compared with the figures inserted in the Estimates for 1920. With the growing ex-

penditure of administration it is not possible to face this large reduction without replacing it or a considerable part of it from other sources. The other decreases in heads of Revenue are not large: \$25,000 is anticipated in place of \$36,000 from hawkers' licences owing to the reduction in the number of licences due to the policy of keeping the streets reasonably clear; a reduction has been made of \$9,000 on a total of \$234,000 in respect of liquor licences; and there is a falling off of some \$7,000 in respect of Slaughter House receipts, which are estimated at \$105,600. In both these cases the figures are based on the revised estimates for 1920. Rent of Buildings is less by the rent of the Old Post Office which is now to be sold, and Rent of Land is decreased owing to the proposed taking over by the Government of the site opposite the Central Market; interest is estimated at \$360,000 in place of \$320,000 for the current year.

I may call attention to the following increases. On page 7 a sum of \$60,000 is inserted in respect of Kowloon-East-Ferry licences. The service to Yau-mat and Shamshuipo, recently established under Government supervision, has proved very successful, and it is intended to regulate on similar lines the ferries running to Hung Hom, Kowloon City, and Shaikwan with a view to the improvement of the service.

MORE REVENUE FROM WATER.

Tobacco duties are expected to produce an additional \$60,000 owing to increased consumption. Water should bring in an extra \$250,000, the increase being partly accounted for by a proposal to charge excess supply against houses on the rider main system. That system was introduced to cope with the situation when water always ran short in the winter months, and the method was to cut off the rider mains except during short periods in each day. Now that there is a constant supply of water in the rider main areas can draw off water continuously and in any quantity, unchecked by the system of meters which prevails elsewhere, and the wastage is very considerable.

It is anticipated that increased business at the Post Office will bring in an additional \$70,000; also that increased traffic on the Railway will result in a gain of \$66,800. Widows and Orphans Pensions contributions are higher by \$14,000, owing to higher payments on increased salaries; and it is anticipated that an additional \$100,000 will be received from Land Sales.

Estimates of Expenditure.

The expenditure for next year is estimated to amount to \$17,349,150; being \$2,452,677 more than the original estimate and \$3,580,329 more than the revised estimate for the current year.

The increases and decreases under each department are set out in the sectional paper which has been laid on the table.

It will be seen from page 2 of the draft Estimates, that the members of the Cadet Service, who were formerly included under the various departments, are grouped separately under the heading "Cadet Service". The change in classification is desirable for accounting purposes as under the previous system much confusion was caused when an officer of the Cadet Service was transferred from one department to another. The new system of payment of cadets is based on principle of continuous increments. Under the system previously obtaining Cadet appointments were grouped in three classes, and this system had serious disadvantages. In the past the incidence of promotion has been very uneven, a good officer being frequently kept waiting for promotion because there was no vacancy for which he was specially fitted. Under the system which has now been introduced Cadet Officers are paid on a scale of salaries dependent on their length of service so that they can be utilised according to their individual capacity and the requirements of the public without regard to questions of seniority. A Cadet can now rise directly from a salary of £350 to

a salary of £1,200, subject to two strict efficiency bars which he may not pass unless his service is wholly satisfactory.

Provision is made for four unpassed cadets, who are required against normal wastage and the increases in Government work consequent upon expansion of the Colony.

Under Treasury, on page 20, an Assistant Treasurer and a European Accountant are provided for. The latter will eventually take the place of the Cashier, who is shortly due for pension. The separate office of Assessor of Rates is abolished, and the work will in future form part of the general work of the Treasury.

NEW SHIPPING POST.

In the Harbour Master's Department, on page 24, provision is made for a European Deputy Shipping Master, whose work will include all matters appertaining to ship's crews with whom he will be brought into constant contact. On page 27 are shown two Light-house Keepers and three Apprentice Lighthouse Keepers on dollar salaries. It has been decided to supplement the European Lighthouse Service with local men, of the type which mans the Lighthouses on the China Coast. It is anticipated that considerable economy will be brought about in this way. Provision is made on page 29 for the purchase of a motor boat which is required in connection with the expanding traffic in the harbour.

In the Imports and Exports Department, on page 32, the increase of \$300,000 for purchase of raw opium is accounted for by the increase in the price charged by the Government of India.

Under Royal Observatory, on page 33, provision is made for the purchase of a Seismograph.

UNIVERSITY GRANTS.

Under Miscellaneous Services, on page 41, Hon. Members will see that a grant of \$200,000 to the University of Hongkong takes the place of three separate grants aggregating \$21,000. The Government has undertaken the responsibility for debts amounting to some \$500,000 and it has agreed to add \$1,000,000 to the endowment fund, and to increase its yearly grant. Among the Financial Minutes which have been referred to the Finance Committee is one in which the Council is being asked to vote a sum of \$200,000 provided for next year to meet deficit on current expenditure and as to the balance for increasing the endowment fund. I may mention that the Chamber of Commerce have generously doubled their subscription, which was formerly \$1,000 yearly, for scholarships for Yunnan students, and the Government is setting aside a like sum as part of this vote of \$200,000, for the same purpose.

Small increases appear in the votes for the Imperial Bureau of Entomology and the Tropical Diseases Research Fund.

Other Miscellaneous Services have \$65,000 allocated in place of \$50,000, as the latter amount is in present circumstances quite inadequate.

The vote for Special Allowances on Salaries is reduced from \$465,000 to \$100,000, the latter figure representing the sum which will probably be required in connection with the revision of the salaries of the non-European clerical service and certain others, which is not yet completed.

The vote for Telegrams is reduced from \$18,000 to \$10,000. The volume of telegrams sent by the Government is now much less than it was during and immediately after the war.

\$100,000 is asked for in respect of the Transport of Government Servants, in place of the former \$12,000 in consequence of the grant to all European officers of free passages to and from England. This concession is limited to a period of five years, when it may be cancelled or revised, according to the circumstances then obtaining.

\$15,000 is asked for to cover expenses in connection with the census which is to be taken next year.

The votes in respect of Government Launches, and Government

Buildings, Courts of Justice, have been transferred to the Harbour Master's and Public Works Departments respectively, where they belong more appropriately than they do to the Treasury, which administers the Miscellaneous Services votes.

The District Officer, on page 40, has been provided with a sum of \$5,000 to enable him to assist the villagers in the New Territories in the execution of small local works such as path making and building of bridges over streams.

Under Crown Solicitor, on page 42, \$3,000 is provided in respect of the occasional engagement of outside assistance, rendered necessary by pressure of work in the department.

POLICE MATTERS.

The Police Department votes, on page 43, have been generally revised. The establishment, exclusive of Officers and Water Police, has been increased from 1,047 to 1,100, six Europeans and ninety-four Chinese Police have been added, the members of the Indian contingent being at the same time reduced from 447 to 400. I am satisfied that this re-arrangement will not result in any loss in efficiency, and there will be some saving in expense. The establishment before the war was 947. The Chinese and Indian non-commissioned officers' ranks are considerably augmented, in order to improve the prospects of promotion and so to add to the attractiveness of the service.

The Police Training School, shown on page 47, is a new departure, its object being that recruits may be properly grounded in their duties before they are taken on the strength. It is proposed eventually to place the school adjoining the new Gaol on the eastern end of the reclamation at Kowloon City.

It will be seen, on page 47, that the votes in connection with Police serving in other Government Departments are now administered by the Police Department; in order that the men may be in this respect under one control. These men are supernumerary to the establishment proper.

The vote for Passages, on page 49, is increased from \$25,000 to \$64,000, owing to heavy increase in cost of passages. Bonuses in lieu of passages have been abolished, it being considered undesirable to offer men an inducement not to take leave when due.

The vote of \$37,500 for Rations for Indian Police is new, the grant of free rations forming part of the new pay scheme.

Under Special Expenditure on page 53, provision is made for a motor ambulance, four motor cycles, and a patrol wagon. The ambulance is to take the place of the present one which has proved unsuitable. The other motor vehicles are required to keep pass with the times.

Sums are also included for furnishing married quarters, the Government having, with the consent of Hon. Members, decided to provide a certain amount of furniture to all Government quarters; and for modern iron bunkers for the Chinese Police in place of the wooden boards on which they have hitherto slept.

The increase in the Fire Brigade vote, at page 49, from \$53,590 to \$77,243 is partly due to the establishment of a separate Station at Kowloon. On page 52 provision is made for a small Fire Float for Cheung Chau Island, costing \$1,500, for a motor pump to replace a pump moved to Kowloon, and for a new extension ladder.

PRISON VOTE.

The vote under Prison, at page 51, is \$284,936, compared with \$147,270 voted in respect of the current year. The increase is largely due to the expense of the separate establishment required for the prison recently opened at Lai-chikok, particulars of which are given on page 106. This Council has already voted considerable sums for the Lai-chikok Prison during the present year, and it has also voted additional money for such items as clothing for

soners, and fuel, the expenditure on which was much underestimated when the Estimates for 1920 were prepared. The experiment of transferring short sentenced prisoners to Lai-chikok has been fully justified by results. The congestion in Victoria Gaol has been put an end to and the health of the prisoners generally is very much improved. Juvenile offenders will in future be imprisoned at Lai-chikok. I propose to separate the Prison Department from the Police Department, and the title of its head has accordingly been changed from Assistant Superintendent, Victoria Gaol, to Superintendent of Prisons.

The only change of importance under the Medical Department is the transfer of the Office of Health Officer of the Port, shown at page 59, from a private practitioner to a Government Medical Officer. Dr. Jordan who has held the post since the year 1888 to the entire satisfaction of the Government, has resigned with effect from the end of this year. It is thought advisable that in future the post should be held by a whole-time officer directly under the control of the Principal Civil Medical Officer.

At page 61 a European Sampler is provided for the Government Laboratory, as the outcome of correspondence with the Chamber of Commerce. There was in a recent case a suggestion that samples had been tampered with, and this Government is determined to take every step possible to ensure that no preventable cause shall militate against the accuracy of its Analysts' certificates.

Under Sanitary Department, at page 67, provision is made for two motor tractors and five trucks, for the purpose of dumping the Kowloon refuse on the foreshore at Lai-chikok in connection with the reclamation there. It is proposed to use prison labour at the dump.

SHORTAGE OF EUROPEAN TEACHERS.

Under Education, at page 70, provision is made for a full European Staff, but there are at present a number of vacancies which so far it has not been possible to fill. The interruption in training caused by the war has checked the supply, but it is hoped that suitable candidates will shortly be forthcoming. The salaries of Chinese teachers have been considerably improved, and arrangements have been made for giving candidates for Masterships a full course of training at the Hongkong University, as explained on page 106. I regard it as of primary importance that we should have an efficient teaching staff, without which it is of little use to make plans for the creation of new Government schools. It is proposed however to give considerable assistance towards the expansion of private schools, in the shape of building grants and, on page 73, a sum of \$180,000 is inserted in place of the sum of \$100,000 voted for the current year. The institutions which it is proposed to assist are the Canton College, which it is hoped will prove a useful feeder to the University. St. Joseph's College, St. Mary's School, the Mar. Mo School, and a school to be erected by the Church Missionary Society in West End Park. If the Diocesan Boys' School are in a position to make commencement next year with their new buildings in Kowloon, it will be necessary to ask this Council for a further vote.

THE VOLUNTEERS.

The Volunteer expenditure, on page 74, is reduced from \$71,481 to \$38,359, owing mainly to the large falling off in the membership of the local forces which has resulted from the re-introduction of the voluntary system. A considerable falling off was of course to be anticipated when the system of compulsory service was abandoned but it must be confessed that the recruiting for the new volunteer force has been disappointing.

The question of the salaries of the Public Works Department European Staff has not yet been settled, and the estimates show the old rates with the addition of the temporary allowance of 20% which was granted pending

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THE WEATHER.

3 p.m. Barometer.—29.99. Temperature.—77. Humidity.—61.

DONT FORGET.

Today.

Theatre Royal.—A. D. C. production of Dunsany's Plays.—9.30 p.m.

Coronet Theatre.—5.15 and 9.15 p.m.

Hongkong Theatre.—5.15, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.

To-morrow.

Coronet Theatre.—5.15 and 9.15 p.m.

Hongkong Theatre.—5.15, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.

Saturday, October 30.

Theatre Royal.—A. D. C. production of Dunsany's Plays.—9.30 p.m.

Under the Correspondence Sub-department, at page 76, provision is made for an Office Assistant, a post rendered necessary by the constantly increasing work.

Public Works Recurrent, at page 80, shows a normal increase, from \$755,600 to \$840,600, due to the growth of the Colony.

THE RAILWAY.

The recurrent Railway expenditure has increased from \$420,167 to \$515,998, owing mainly to increase in salaries. The Railway employs a large number of men who came under the strike award. Provision is made, at page 95, for special expenditure in the sum of \$382,310, including a sum of \$152,500 for seven new carriages. It is proposed to purchase two motor carriages which will be available for small parties of passengers in cases where the expense of an ordinary train is hardly justified. The other principal items are in respect of a yard for housing engines and motor carriages at Lowu; for a bridge to span the new road from Shamshuipo to Kowloon City; and for re-railing the Beacon Hill tunnel.

With regard to Pensions, at page 99, I may state that officers now on pension have been granted increases varying from ten to thirty per centum, according to the rate of pension. All Widows and Orphans pensions have been increased by 25 per cent. pending reconsideration of the rates generally.

The programme for Public Works Extraordinary, shown at page 82, has been fully considered by the Public Works Committee of this Council.

"THE HOMESTEAD."

Under item 3 a sum of \$500,000 is provided for Officers' quarters. The policy of housing Public Officers has been approved by this Council, and the money now asked for is required in connection with the development of the Homestead and Pavilions sites where six or perhaps seven houses and six flats are to be erected, and also for four houses on Findlay Road and one house on Barker Road.

NEW GOVERNMENT BUILDING.

With regard to item 5, it is proposed to build on the site between the Central Market and the sea a large six-storied building to house the Fire Brigade, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, the Imports and Exports Department, the Laboratory, the Port Health Office, and the Department of the Principal Civil Medical Officer. The Harbour Department will take over the Imports and Exports Offices, and will be able to house in one building its sub-departments which are now in the Post Office and at the Sailors' Home, and a number of offices in the Post Office Building will be released.

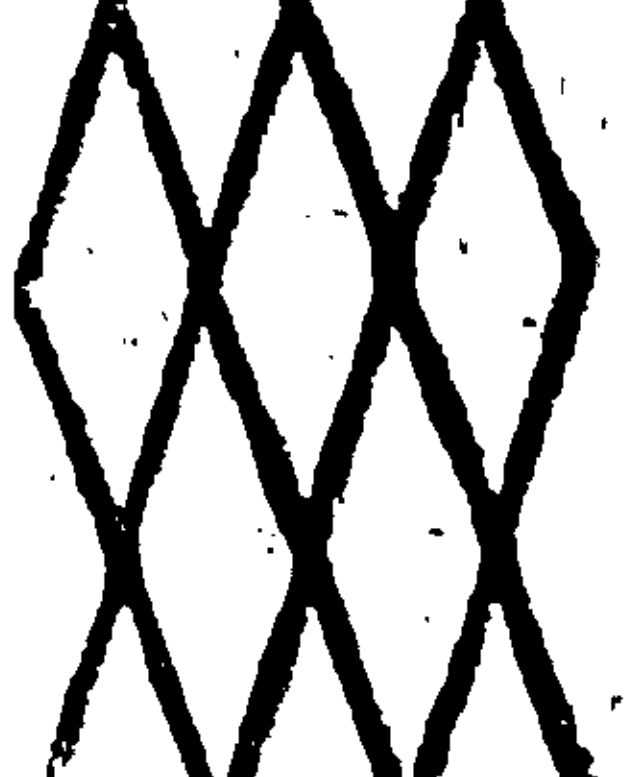
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GENERAL NEWS.

ANGLO-HUNGARIAN MAIL RESUMED.

The mail service between Great Britain and Hungary has been resumed.

MAMMOTH FOOTBALL GATE. Receipts at the Aston Villa-Tottenham Hotspur match at Birmingham the attendance numbering 58,000.

NO FREE POSTAGE OF ELECTION ADDRESSES.

Free postage of election addresses of municipal candidates is refused by the Postmaster-General.

COUNCIL'S PROFITABLE ENTERTAINMENTS.

Entertainments run by Tians-fairfechan Council (Wales) have during five months earned profits equal to a 5d. rate.

ANTI-AMERICAN POST CARDS.

The police authorities have prohibited the sale of a set of anti-American post-cards published by an insignificant bookstore in Tokio.

MARTIN HARVEY SEES HIMSELF.

On witnessing the new film of his play, "The Breed of the Treshams" at Newcastle Mr. Martin Harvey said he was disappointed at seeing himself as others saw him.

"JACKDAW OF RHEIMS" AT SCARBOROUGH.

A jackdaw alighted on the Scarborough meteorological sunshine recorder, and so disturbed it that the full records for two days have been irretrievably lost.

MAYFLOWER PAGEANT IN LONDON.

Witnessed by over 60,000 people at Plymouth during the tercentenary celebrations, the Mayflower Pageant is to be performed until November 13 in London.

LEWIS WALLER'S CAR STOLEN.

A Saxon motor-car, valued at £850, and belonging to Mr. Lewis Waller, was stolen, and at Bow-street two men—James Turner and Charles Robbins—were remanded on a charge of being concerned with stealing it.

IMPERIAL MOTOR CARS.

The Imperial Household states a Tokio report has ordered two Rolls-Royce limousines for the exclusive use of the Emperor and Empress. The makers have promised to rush the work so that the cars may be delivered early next year.

KOREAN WOMEN'S SECRET SOCIETY.

The arrest of the leader and some members of a Korean women's secret society, working in conjunction with the independence movement, is reported. The society includes a number of upper-class women.

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The former Archduke Frederick of Austria, who commanded one of the armies during the war, is to establish a joint stock company, with the assistance of English capital, for the purpose of securing against expropriation his large estates in Austria, Poland, Czechoslovakia, and Jugoslavia. In pre-war times the agricultural products of his farms were famous, especially milk and butter. He was nicknamed "The Imperial Milkman."

PARKS AS HOLIDAY RESORTS.

Manchester Parks Committee have had before them a suggestion that large parks may be so adapted as to become centres for stay-at-home holidays and provide a practical set-off against increases in cost of travelling. It was pointed out that sand beds for children to play in as at the seaside might be provided, the boating lakes increased in size, and roundabouts, swing boats, etc., be added as on the Continent. More bowling greens, tennis courts, and golf courses are amongst other suggested attractions. The idea met with general approval, and details will be taken into consideration.

SLIPPER CURE FOR RAD BOYS.

"The hand that wields the slipper wisely and well is more likely to rule the world than the hand that rocks the cradle," is the opinion of the Rev. T. H. Taylor, of Moxborough (Yorkshire). He believes that the world would be a happier place if more fathers used the slipper on the girls as well as the boys. "It saddens me," he said, "to see little Charlie, when he is told to come in from the street, put his fingers to his nose, and contemptuously reply, 'I shan't.' The slipper is an excellent corrective. My father used it on me with excellent results so far as I was concerned. Parents who adopt the method of the old woman who lived in the shoe are those who are doing the country most good."

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

KING OF GREECE.

London, Oct. 26.

The "Times" Athens correspondent reports that the funeral of the late King has been fixed for 29th Oct. The body is being conveyed to the Cathedral at Athens to-morrow, where it will lie in state.

M. Venizelos has made a statement that Prince Paul would succeed to the throne. Prince Paul at present was absent from Greece, consequently the Cabinet would act as a Council of Regency pending Prince Paul's acceptance.

The death of the young King of Greece will be generally regretted. It will be remembered that early this month King Alexandros was bitten by a pet monkey, and although he thought little of it at the time, intestinal complications set in, followed by recurring attacks of fever, which caused considerable anxiety among the Royal household. The sensational statement was made that the monkey was suffering from rabies, with which it had been artificially inoculated for the express purpose of making an attempt upon the King's life, but the story was contradicted by Professor Vidal, who was in attendance on the King. He emphatically declared that the infection had nothing to do with rabies. The King was only 27 years of age, and succeeded to the throne, according to the terms of the ultimatum of the Guaranteeing Powers, on the expulsion of his father and his elder brother (the Crown Prince), whose differences with M. Venizelos and Greek public opinion generally on the question of the entry of Greece into the war brought about their downfall. Prince Paulos, the deceased King's brother, who was born in 1901, is the successor, but as he is absent from the country, it will be necessary, according to the constitution, to appoint a Regent. The name of Admiral Courdouniotos is freely mentioned in this connection, and his election when Parliament is convened is regarded as almost a foregone conclusion. Meantime the Cabinet is acting as a Council of Regency.

BLACK BOLSHEVISTS.

Port Elizabeth, Oct. 26.

The city is quiet and most of the natives are apparently working. A strong force of armed police is stationed at essential points. The anxious feature of the situation is that the natives declare they will strike on 1st November.

The natives concerned in the riots belong to an organisation of a pernicious character which responsible native opinion has outspokenly condemned.

South African newspapers point out that the native unrest culminating in the riots is largely attributable to Bolsheviki propaganda among the natives. The organ of the communist party has been urging the organisation of the native coloured races to co-operate with the white workers, seize the powers of the Government and defend their conquests by force.

A DANGEROUS CHARACTER.

London, Oct. 26.

A sensational story concerning a "mystery man" arrested yesterday, believed to be a Bolshevik spy, was told at Bow Street this morning, when an alien who refused to give any information regarding himself was charged with failing to register.

Prosecuting counsel described him as a most dangerous and most undesirable individual, who acted as a go-between for the revolutionaries in Britain and Russia. Prisoner was conveying a number of letters, one of which was from Sylvia Pankhurst to Lenin, stating that Britain was not ready for revolution. He also had letters addressed to the Third International Bureau at Moscow.

It is understood that accused is a Scandinavian or Finn. He was remanded.

THE IRISH SITUATION.

London, Oct. 26.

In the House of Commons, replying to the debate on the situation in Ireland and the allegations of fresh reprisals, Sir Hamar Greenwood said that, despite recent outrages which he enumerated, the policy of the Government was succeeding rapidly. The total number of outrages had rapidly decreased and the issue was now between the assassins of the Irish Republican Army and the British Government. He asked the House to support him and the Government, not in suppressing Sinn Fein or the Irish language, because they had never done that, but in tracking down these assassins who barred the way to any settlement of the Irish political question.

GERMAN PROPERTY IN ENGLAND.

London, Oct. 26.

It is officially announced that the Government has informed the German Government that they do not intend to exercise their rights whereby, under the Peace Treaty, German nationals' property in England would be seized in the event of voluntary default by Germany. This applies to German property in the United Kingdom or under the United Kingdom's control, whether bank balances, goods in British bottoms or goods sent to England for sale.

PROHIBITION IN CANADA.

Montreal, Oct. 26.

The "Drys" have been victorious in Alberta, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Nova Scotia in a general plebiscite on the question of prohibiting the importation of liquors from other provinces. The cities of Winnipeg and Halifax voted against prohibition, but nearly all the mining and industrial centres which were expected to vote "wet" returned "dry" majorities.

THE FEATHERWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

London, Oct. 26.

At the National Sporting Club in a twenty rounds Feather-weight Championship fight, Mike Honeyman beat Tancy Lee in the nineteenth round, Lee's towel being thrown in.

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Celebration in Arbroath Abbey.

Within the ruined Abbey of Arbroath last month a company of leading Scotsmen assembled to celebrate the 600th anniversary of the signing of Scotland's Declaration of Independence.

It was on 6th April 1320 that the Scottish Parliament, summoned by King Robert, decided to address to Pope John the letter which is one of the most notable State documents, not only of medieval times, but of all time.

Public men, distinguished in various walks of life, who were unable to attend, sent apologies for absence. Letters were received from among others, the Duke of Montrose, Lord Rosebery, Lord Balfour of Burleigh, Lord Inchcape, Earl Haig, Lord Morley, the Baron Wester Wemyss of Wemyss, and Lord St. Vigeans.

Mr. A. J. Balfour, in the course of a letter, wrote:—"The occasion is one that must without doubt interest all Scotsmen, for though the ancient independence of the kingdom had been gloriously vindicated at Bannockburn six years before, and was formally embodied in the Treaty of Northampton eight years after, and those dates, therefore, are dates of most vital significance from a historical point of view, but the letter to Pope John XXII. expressed the Scottish attitude with such noble dignity that Scotsmen in general, and citizens of Arbroath in particular, may well be proud of it."

CHURCH MODERATORS' ADDRESSES.

The Rev. Thomas Martin, Moderator of the Church of Scotland, said that as they were met in that old ruin there could surely be no Scotsman amongst them whose soul did not glow within him as he reflected upon what had been done there.

No man could tell what Scotsmen would have been to-day had not their forefathers succeeded, but he thought they might be sure of this that the splendid, strong, robust character that their nation was contributing to the Empire and the world would not have been theirs to-day but for those men.

The Duke of Atholl asked them as Scotsmen to maintain the freedom and welfare of their country, and to remember that this could only be done by national unity and goodwill amongst all classes.

The Rev. Dr. Martin, Moderator of the United Free Church, in the course of his address, said self-determination was human nature's inviolable right.

PLEA FOR A SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT.

Following the service, a civic luncheon was given in the

Sleepless Suburb's Vigil.

The clock of New Barnet has broken what is believed to be the world's striking record. It has struck 3,000 o'clock.

It started at midnight, and continued to strike until the early hours of the morning.

The clock is the property of the rate-payers, and the surveyor of the district council is responsible for its conduct—when he is well.

The surveyor has been conveyed to London to undergo an operation, and probably for the first time in its career the clock was left to look after itself.

Whether or not the long strike was a protest against loneliness nobody knows. The fact remains that at midnight the clock began its longest "strike."

Many people as usual sat up in their beds to check the time on clocks. "One, two, three"—the melodious notes rang out. "Ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen—"

The inhabitants of New Barnet rubbed their eyes and pinched themselves. By the time they realised that they were indeed awake the clock had reached thirty.

Then New Barnet settled down to hear the clock out. It was like New Year's Eve.

Sixty... Seventy... the clock continued its chimes.

Presently the interest waned. People wanted to sleep but the clock refused them any respite. It went on through the hundreds into the thousands. When it reached 3,000 it emitted one loud, defiant, yet triumphant clang—and ceased.

The striking had gone on for more than an hour and a half.

The clock was apparently exhausted by its record effort, for the next day it refused to strike at all.

Webster Memorial Hall, and it was mentioned as an interesting feature of the assembly that the Duke of Atholl, the Earl of Strathmore, and Mrs. A. R. Duncan of Parkhill were descendants of Robert the Bruce. Provost Anderson presided.

Mr. J. Lang Sturrock, M.P., who gave the toast of "Scotland," expressed the hope that they might soon see a Scottish Parliament meet again within the walls of their ancient Abbey.

Subsequently on the Abbey green the celebrations were picturesquely brought to a close with a varied programme of music and dancing in the presence of a great gathering of townspeople. The most striking item was the parade by local children in the appropriate costumes of the characters in "The Antiquary," for which Scott drew his scenes from this historic locality.

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DISABLED MEN'S BULLETIN.

Ministry to Issue Fortnightly Lists of the Unemployed.

In order to reduce the large number of unemployed disabled soldiers, the Ministry of Labour has decided to send, at fortnightly intervals, to all employers of more than 25 workpeople, lists of men who are on the Employment Exchange register in their area.

No names will be given, but each will be indicated by a reference number, followed by particulars of his previous industrial experience, his disability, and his age. A covering letter will be sent, asking heads of firms who can offer work to communicate with the Labour Exchange manager.

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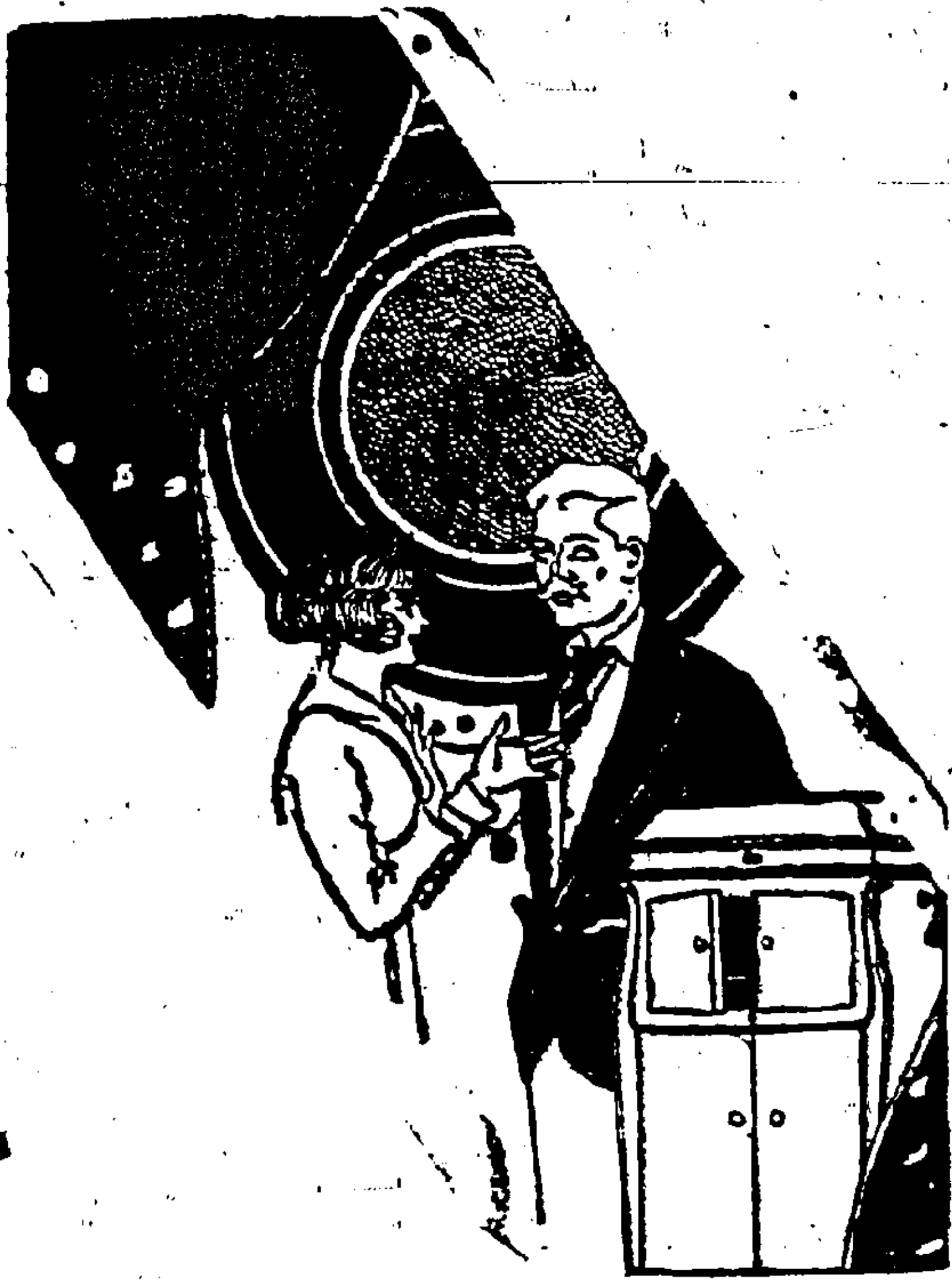
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JAPANESE LINES TO SOUTH AMERICAN.

Japan will, during 1921, pay a subsidy amounting to 1,038,000 yen to the steamship companies trading with South America.

SCANDINAVIAN RETALIATION.
The Scandinavian countries have decided that should the new American Merchant Marine Act prove harmful to Scandinavia, retaliatory measures will be taken.

NEW THAMES SHIP-REPAIRING DEPOT.

Negotiations, it is stated, are still proceeding for the establishment of a ship-repairing depot on the Thames by Messrs. Harland and Wolff.

REDUCED JAPANESE CONSTRUCTION.

It is stated that the output of the Japanese shipyards during the latter half of this year will total only 120,000 tons—a much smaller figure than was anticipated.

NEWCASTLE—FAR EAST SERVICE.

The Tyne Improvement Commissioners are considering a proposal submitted by Messrs. W. Dickinson & Co. Newcastle, for the establishment of a shipping line to India, China, Japan and Australia.

NEW U.S. VESSELS.

Nine new American steel ocean-going steamers, four of which are oil tankers, are ready to start upon their maiden voyages. They have just passed successfully through their sea trials, and have been awarded the highest classification of the United States Bureau of Shipping, states a New York report.

S. Y. K. CHANGES.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha has made several changes in vessels on the Yokohama-Shanghai run, and by the first of November, only the Kasuga Maru will be left with accommodation for European passengers. The Kokura Maru has been transferred to the South Sea route and the Yamashiro Maru will go on the European run.

FATE OF THE KISEI MARU.

It is reported that the Japanese s.s. Kisei Maru, from Ataru to Osaka, foundered and sank as a result of the storm on October 7, and it is believed that the master and 22 of the crew have been lost. On October 9 an engineer and five seamen left the steamer in a small boat in search of assistance, as the ship was sinking. The boat capsized, but three of the seamen succeeded in reaching the shore.

NAUTICAL TRAINING IN CANADA.

The Canadian Navy League and the Government Steamship Line are working hand in hand in the training of first-class boys for the sea. The youngsters will be indentured for four years, but instead of being called upon to pay a premium they receive pay at the rate of 100 dols. for the second, 300 dols. for the third and 500 dols. for the last. They are entered at seventeen years of age, and two will be carried on board each of the big Transatlantic freighters.

LINER COMPANIES TO CARRY PRIVATE WOOL CARGOES.

Liner companies who had contracted to give the Government, as long as was necessary, the first call on their wool space are now at liberty to carry wool for private shippers without any restrictions. This announcement is made by the Ministry of Manitions, and it is added that it is not expected that there will be any difficulty about obtaining steamer space. Intending shippers of unsoiled wool should, however, inquire about storage facilities in advance.

SIR WALTER SCOTT'S GREAT YEAR.

Brilliant in 1820.

"The year 1820 might be considered the most brilliant in Scott's career. That was before it had been clouded by domestic affliction and crippling ill health," says the *Glasgow Herald*.

His mother, her brother and her sister died within a few days of each other, and he himself was so ill that even his iron resolution gave way and he despaired of recovery. But in spite of mental and bodily torture his imagination worked at its highest pitch and gave to an astonished and delighted world *The Bride of Lammermoor*, *The Legend of Montrose*, and *Ivanhoe*, three of his finest novels.

"Most of this excellent fiction was dictated amid such agonizing pain as it seemed no human frame could bear, and Scott's friends looked for the worst. Speaking of *The Bride of Lammermoor*, James Ballantyne says it was not only written but published before Mr. Scott was able to rise from his bed; and he assured me that, when it was first put into his hands, he did not recollect one single incident, character, or conversation it contained. A marvellous instance of the triumph of mind over matter!"

TWO STORIES AT A TIME.

"*Ivanhoe* was the first novel in which Scott broke away from purely Scottish ground, and English readers hailed it with acclamation. Dr. Moore, the author of *Zeluco*, had advised Burns to abandon the use of the ground that it must narrow the circle of his admirers, and no doubt Scott's native themes and language made a less powerful appeal to those outside the rank of Scots, and therefore lacking in full understanding and sympathy. But *Ivanhoe* had its setting in one of the most romantic periods of English history, the 'Lion King' was a supremely popular subject, and the book placed the author of the *Waverley* Novels on the highest pinnacle of fame.

From its publication, indeed, a certain decline in vogue may be dated, and it would have been well if some wise, friendly critics had had the sense and the courage to utter a warning that might have served to check the lavish expenditure that marked the brief period before the crash came. While *Ivanhoe* was in progress Scott was at work also on *The Monastery*, finding the writing of a tale that belonged to his own neighbourhood a relief from the composition of one where his imagination was more severely taxed.

THEN CAME "KENILWORTH."

"The two stories seemed to give each other relish, like bread and cheese," as Gray says of his habit of reading Greek prose and verse concurrently. *The Monastery* was by no means well received, and Scott was constrained to admit that the *White Lady* and the *Euphuist* had missed fire. It was an inauspicious opening for the 1820 season, and Scott felt the check. But he quickly rallied, and in *The Abbot* and *Kenilworth* he made ample amends for a comparative failure. His portraits of Queen Mary and Queen Elizabeth are among the most notable things in literature.

Scott's mastery of the situation was aided by the restoration of his health, and he entered on the new year with a confidence and a gaiety that enabled him to enjoy to the full the success, the honours, and the pleasures that came to him in abundance. It was a proud moment in his career. His reputation as a poet and a man of letters was fully established; the novels had won universal applause, and within a widening

THE FALL OF MAN.

Father Vaughan on Canon Barnes.

Father Bernard Vaughan, preaching at Lapsley, near Stafford, referred to Canon Barnes's sermon on "The Fall of Man."

He said that seldom had he read a sermon into which was packed so much bad science and worse theology. Were he to become a follower of the Canon, he would soon settle down to be not a scientist or a Christian, but a materialist, pure and simple. It did not do to take the speculations of scientific men more seriously than those of others; nor did it serve the cause of science to exalt a mere working hypothesis to the rank of an established scientific theory. No working hypothesis was more than probable. It was used with the intention of throwing it aside as soon as a better explanation offered itself. It had no finality. Canon Barnes in his attempt to explain evolution from "some fundamental stuff" was speaking of a working hypothesis, but when he went on to say that "evolution describes facts" he was, without warning, lifting the hypothesis into a scientific theory. Was that fair? Anyhow, it was a most unscientific method of procedure. Again, was there any scientific evidence forthcoming to prove that there was no fall of man that there was no original sin, and consequently no redemption? Those problems were beyond the province of science to determine. They belonged to the realms of faith.

area the authorship was perfectly well known.

A PROUD POSITION.

"He had position and means: the Court of Session and literature, Edinburgh and Abbotsford, filled busy, prosperous, and happy hours. He was the host of the world: Abbotsford was the resort of an unending stream of visitors and guests who came to enjoy its unstinted hospitality and recreations, to see and to hear the famous writer who, after the golden mornings of swift recreation, moved among them, wise, humorous, gay, as if toil and care were without the gates. These were the boisterous days of the Abbotsford Hunt, burning the water, and coursing on the braes of Yarrow. The whole countryside joined in these revels under the leadership of the Duke of Darnick, as Scott was called by his neighbours in that hamlet. The 1820 pages of the biography glitter with splendour and echo with merriment.

Scott kissed hands on his baronetcy, moved a conspicuous figure in London society, saw his son's affairs in happy progress welcomed Lockhart as a son-in-law, but built and bought lands. The only thing that troubled him was the state of public affairs, for in 1820, the ground swell of a great war disturbed the country. The aftermath of the struggle with Napoleon was seething discontent.

A FEW YEARS DISTANT.

"As one reads Lockhart's story of the year 1820, crowded with high hopes and triumph, one contrasts it with a scene only a few years distant, when Scott sat alone in a silent Abbotsford ruined in estate and in health, tugging painfully at the oar to lift the heavy burden of debt. Family afflictions and troubles beset him, unremitting toil was his lot, and his old age seemed to him but a cypress avenue leading to the tomb. How great a change and how manfully borne!

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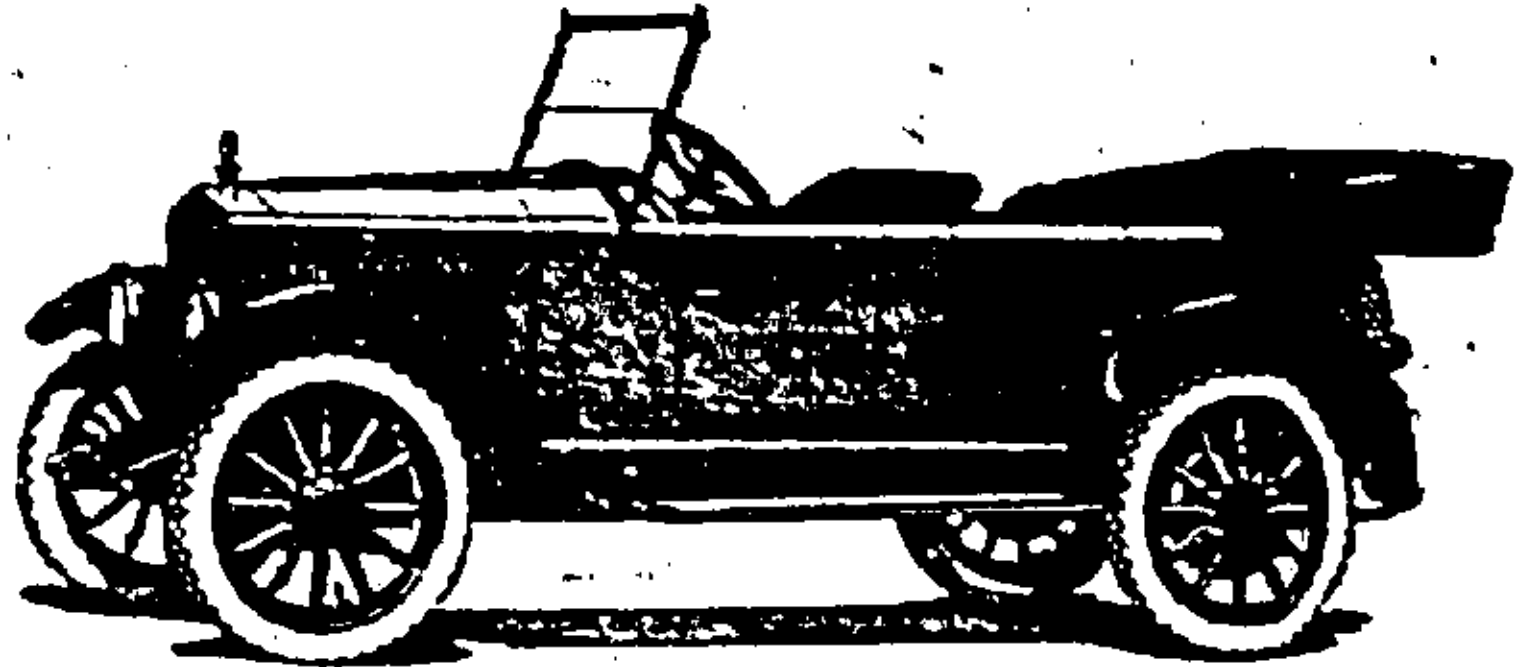
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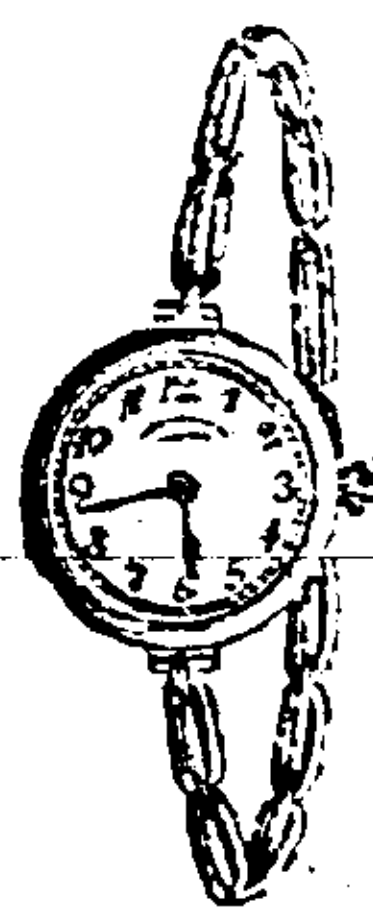
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4	Sham Shui Po	As per plan	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
5	Sham Shui Po	As per plan	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
6	Sham Shui Po	As per plan	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
7	Sham Shui Po	As per plan	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
8	Sham Shui Po	As per plan	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
9	Sham Shui Po	As per plan	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
10	Sham Shui Po	As per plan	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

NOTICE.

TAKE NOTICE that the
Power of Attorney dated the 13th
October 1920 and any other power
or powers of attorney given by
LI LING SHI alias LING FOOK

HI to LI TSZ MING were revoked
on the 22nd October 1920.

Dated the 27th October, 1920.

Geo. K. HALL BRUTON & CO.
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THE LECTURE TO CHILD-
REN on Tuesday November 2nd.
will be given by the Rev. THEO-
DALE MACKINTOSH, M.A.D.D.
The Subject will be "MACBETH."
Another lecture will be given
on November 16th, by the same
lecturer.

CHINESE TELEGRAPH ADMINISTRATION

Notice to Senders of Telegrams
Under instructions of the Min-
istry of Communications, in
Peking, the following additional
charges for each telegram handed
in for transmission by the Admin-
istration will be made upon the
sender, in aid of the famine fund
for the North Provinces, for one
year only, beginning from the 1st
November, 1920.

(1). For telegrams to any place
within Kwangtung Province the
additional charge is ten cents
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The U.S.S. SAMAR will be sold
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Shanghai, China, by sealed pro-
posals to be opened at 10 a.m. on
December 20, 1920.

The SAMAR was built at Cavite,
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Beam 17 feet, 10 inches. Mean
draft 7 ft. Displacement when
in commission 243 Tons.

The vessel will be ready for
inspection on September 10th.
Appraised value \$28,000.00 U.S.
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by applying to the U.S. Navy
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THE Undersigned have received
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Curios comprising—
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also
Sung Celadon vase
One pair Large Black vases
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and
A few pieces Canton Black-
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He has a good method of teaching European
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Chinese to Europeans and Europeans to Chinese.
He has also been successful in teaching
Chinese to Europeans and Europeans to Chinese.
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Chinese to Europeans and Europeans to Chinese.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE COAL STRIKE.

Concessions by Both Sides.

London, October 26.
It is understood that the differences between the miners and
the Government as a result of the discussions have been consid-
erably narrowed down. The former have waived the claim for an un-
conditional advance, while the Government is prepared to give an
increase of 2/- upon a satisfactory output arrangement. Thus both
sides have somewhat abated their demands. It is proposed that the
wage advance would be granted subject to review at an early date
in the light of the ascertained output and the cost of living, the
owners to provide every facility for increasing the output, including
the provision of new plant where it is wanted. Pit committees are
to be established, representing the owners and miners, to ensure
output. Finally, a new permanent machinery is to be created to
regulate wages in accordance with coal revenue and the cost of
living. It is stated that the miners' leaders have accepted these
terms and have promised to convey them to a full meeting of the
Executive, but have expressed doubt whether the miners would
accept anything short of an unconditional advance.

Fresh Negotiations.

London, October 26.
The Miners' Executive is re-opening official negotiations with
the Government this morning.

Critical Juncture Reached.

Later.
The Conference between the Miners' Executive and the
Government continued all day long, with intervals, during which the
Government consulted the owners and also held a Cabinet Council
as a result of matters reaching a critical juncture. After a further
brief interview between the miners and the Government to-night,
the Conference adjourned till mid-day to-morrow.

The Premier's Query.

London, October 25.
Prior to the divisions on the Emergency Powers Bill, Mr.
Thomas, in a speech acknowledging the Government's anxiety
for peace, declared that the measure was unnecessary and inop-
portune. Mr. Lloyd George stated that the Government was merely
seeking powers which they did not at present possess in the event
of a strike. The Prime Minister, whose speech was delivered just
after the miners' leaders' evening meeting with the Government,
declined to offer an opinion whether they were justified in being
hopeful of the success of the discussions, but he pointed out
contingencies were conceivable, even the negotiations failing and
the railwaymen and transport workers taking action. He asked
whether the Triple Alliance, whose tentative arrangements would
paralyse the whole life of the nation, should be allowed to make
preparations while the Government, which was responsible for
45,000,000 people, sat and did nothing.

Effect on Racing.

London, October 26.
The abandonment of the Cambridgeshire Stakes renders the
double event bet on the Cesarewitch and Cambridgeshire Stakes
void.

SUSPICIOUS TROOP MOVEMENTS IN PRUSSIA.

Is it a Monarchist Movement?

London, October 26.
It is evident from telegrams from the French and German
capitals that the movements of troops going on in East Prussia have
caused perturbation, though for different reasons.

The Berlin Freiheit indicates that reactionary intrigues are
afoot and says 120,000 well-armed White Guards have assembled,
commanded by the East Prussian estate-owner, Captain Brandes,
in connection with a supposed Monarchist movement. A Govern-
ment communique refers to armed men crossing to Lithuania and
warns against a repetition of the Von der Goltz Baltic adventure.
The Defence Minister says no regulars are concerned.

On the other hand, Reuters' Paris correspondent says
movements of German troops, as reported by the Inter-Allied
Mission, have aroused the suspicion that they are made for the
purpose of support to the Lithuanians against the Poles.

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NOTICE.

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"PYRRHUS"	21st Dec.	London, Amsterdam & Antwerp

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"TELAMON"	2nd Nov.	Liverpool
"ANTIOCHUS"	15th Nov.	Genoa, M'las L'pool & Glasgow
"TELEMACHUS"	30th Nov.	Marseilles, Havre & Liverpool

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"TYNDAREUS"	30th Dec.	

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(via Suez or Panama)

"TYDEUS"	7th November.	
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CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STRUTHERS & DIXON INC.

From SAN FRANCISCO

THE Steamship

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having arrived from San Francisco via ports, on 24th Oct. 1920 consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or Extra-Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on 29th Oct. 1920 by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Carmichael and Clarke.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized. No claims will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after 31st October 1920, will be subject to rent.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

STRUTHERS & DIXON, INC.

Agents.

For Div. of Opt.

U. S. Shipping Board
EMERGENCY FLEET
CORPORATION.12, Des Vieux Road Central,
Hongkong, 24th October 1920.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.

S. S. "VENEZUELA"

From SAN FRANCISCO via
HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS,
SHANGHAI & MANILA.

The above mentioned vessel having arrived from the above mentioned Ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their cargo will be landed at their risk into the Pacific Mail Steamship Company's godowns at West Point, and stored at Consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of the Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on November 2nd at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a week of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the godowns and all goods remaining undelivered after November 3rd will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.

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Hongkong, 26th October, 1920.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE ADMIRAL LINE.

The Steamship

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having arrived from Seattle via ports, on 21st inst. consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or Extra-Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on 26th inst. by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized. No claims will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after 27th inst. will be subject to rent.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

PACIFIC STEAMSHIP CO.
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THE ADMIRAL LINE.

5th Floor Hotel Mansions.

Hongkong, 21st October, 1920.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OSAKA SHOEN KAISHA.

From EUROPEAN PORTS.

The Company's Steamship

"HAYANA MARU"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 1st inst. will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees' representative and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas, at 10 a.m. on Wednesday and Saturday. All Claims must be presented within Ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

OSAKA SHOEN KAISHA.

Y. YASUDA.

Manager.

Hongkong, 26th October, 1920.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO. LTD.

S. S. "JA'ON"

From SAIGON.

The above mentioned vessel having arrived from the above mentioned Ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that they must take immediate delivery of same from alongside, and all cargo impeding discharge will be landed at their risk and expense into the Pacific Mail Steamship Company's godowns at West Point, and stored at Consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of the Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on November 2nd at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a week of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after November 3rd will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.

As Operators.

U. S. Shipping Board.

Hongkong, 27th October, 1920.

BRUNEL IN 1919.

Some Prosperous Features.

The report of Mr. G. E. Cator, British Resident, Brunei, for the year 1919 says that the revenue amounted to \$162,020 against an estimate of \$123,753. The revenue exceeded that of 1918 by \$37,000. In addition revenue to the value of about \$11,000 in the hands of the Crown Agents was not brought to the credit by the end of the year. The expenditure which was estimated at \$123,556 amounted to \$138,844, the excess being chiefly due to unforeseen circum-

stances such as the failure of the rice crop through drought which necessitated large quantities of seed paid being bought in Siam for the 1919-20 crop. The excess of liabilities over assets at the end of 1918 was \$319,478 while on December 31, 1919 assets exceeded liabilities by \$128,525. This is explained by the fact that as the State has now made arrangements for liquidating its debt to the Federated Malay States, that debt need no longer appear on the face of the accounts.

Speaking of trade the report says that after a gloomy beginning the year proved for all classes one of prosperity tempered by high prices. There was an unprecedented demand for the industries which provide a livelihood for 80 per cent. of the Brunei population. The total volume of trade was 11,748,925. The coal output totalled 36,274 tons compared with 29,565 tons in 1918. Of this 19,797 tons was available for export and 17,363 was actually shipped. The results of the Anglo-Saxon Petroleum

Company's oil operations at Tutong have again proved disappointing. After two unsuccessful attempts at local rice production, a third effort has been made, and this time it seems certain that the harvest will be excellent. The total output of plantation rubber was 429,823 lbs. By the energies of Mr. Richards, F.M.S. Government Entomologist, the plague of locusts which threatened in August was averted.

Land revenue brought in \$19,316 being \$500 in excess of that collected in 1918. There were 475 applications for land, the largest number ever recorded. The system adopted in 1918 of taking into Government service as apprentices the most promising of the pupils from the vernacular schools continued to work well. His Excellency the High Commissioner paid a visit to Brunei on Sept. 21 and stayed until the 23rd. Owing to the war this is the first occasion on which such a visit has been possible since 1913.

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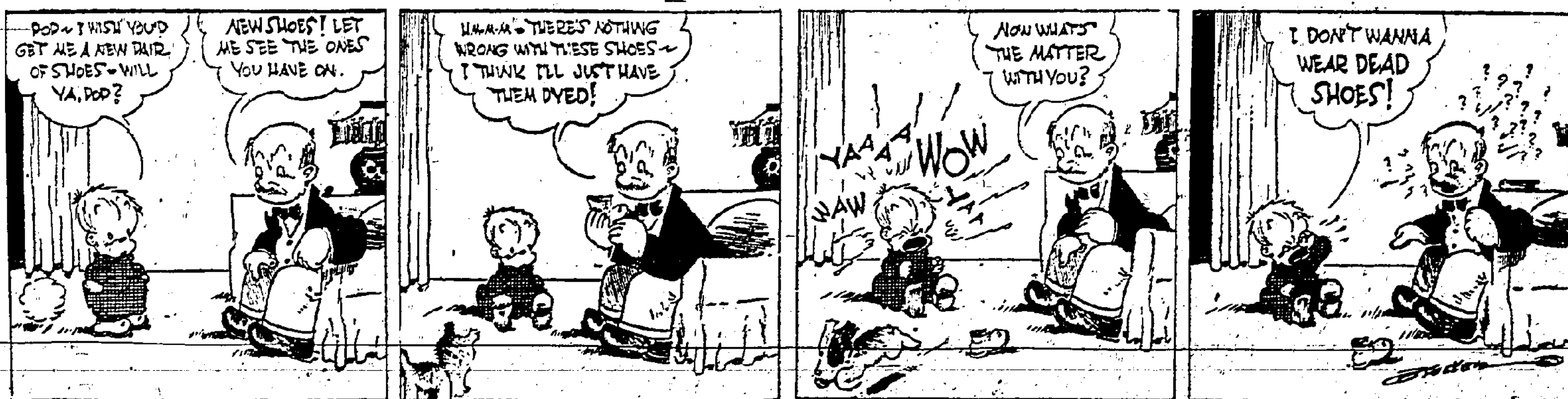
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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1920.

THE BUDGET.

In the history of this Colony there have been few, if any, Budget
speeches which have been awaited with a deeper measure of public
interest than that delivered to-day by His Excellency the Governor.
There are two reasons for that—one the prevailing belief that
mainly in consequence of the falling opium revenue, fresh sources
of income would have to be found; the other, that there are important
projects contemplated, affecting both Hongkong and Kowloon,
the carrying out of which cannot be much longer delayed. In
addition to these two elements, it has been felt that the 1920 Budget
statement would afford the general public some indication of the
lines of policy to be followed by Sir Edward Stubbs in his adminis-
tration of the Colony's affairs, for his last Budget speech was
delivered very shortly after his arrival here—in fact, at the very
first Council meeting which he attended—and was necessarily
rather more reflective of the policies of others than of
any general course set by himself. Keeping these points in mind,
we shall be interested to see how to-day's speech is received by the
Unofficials and the public whom they are supposed to represent.

From the purely financial standpoint, the Colony is not
in nearly such a happy position as it was twelve months
ago. Indeed, so far as credit balances go, those of the past
have apparently become reduced to the point of extinction.
With regard to the year just ending, expectations both in
regard to revenue and expenditure are likely to be falsified. The
income is expected to be some \$1,150,000 less than anticipated,
this, however, being more than accounted for by the reduced
revenue from opium, which shrunk from six to four and a half
million dollars. Then with regard to outgoings, the year is likely to
end with some \$1,117,000 less spent than was estimated, it being
impossible, owing to the difficulty in getting supplies, to proceed
with the whole of the big programme of public works extraordinary
which was planned a year ago. Looking to the year 1921, we find
that over seventeen million dollars are to be set aside for expendi-
ture, a sum which is over three and a half millions above the
revised estimate for the current year. The revenue is expected to
be some two millions short of this amount, but the future is not
feared, as it is felt that pressing works of importance should be
pushed on and that no difficulty will be experienced in readjustment
of taxation so as to cover all future obligations.

It is impossible, on a mere cursory glance through the Budget
speech, to deal in detail with the numerous and important points
which it covers, but we are gratified to see that there is no anxiety
felt regarding ability to find ample sources of revenue to meet the
present and future needs of the Colony. The idea to raise a further
million dollars by readjusting the stamp duties is an admirable one,
for a graduated scale of fees, both in regard to receipts and other
documents, provides an easy method of obtaining more money with-
out the pinch being felt. The shrinkage of revenue from opium was
expected, and it is certain to still further decline in the future. But,
as we say, there are ample means of offsetting losses of this char-
acter and of finding fresh sources of additional income. Many im-
portant works are foreshadowed in the Budget speech, and some
idea of the extent of money involved therein may be gathered from
the fact that close on five million dollars are to be spent on
Public Works Extraordinary, which is easily a record vote. And we
are especially gratified in this regard to note His Excellency's
suggestion that the help of private firms may be made use of to
hasten on urgent projects. It is most satisfactory also to see that
hospital matters are being given much prominence, that the Kowloon
Hospital is to be started, the Victoria Hospital reconstructed and, if
possible, a new hospital built to relieve the congestion at the G.C.H.
Then also there is to be a new Government building near the Central
Market to accommodate various departments at present pressed for
room; a new Gaol is to be begun at Kowloon City; and big sums are
to be spent on officers' residential quarters; whilst large items are also
down for reclamation schemes, road extensions etc. Altogether,
there is promise of great activity in the coming twelve months, and
it is at any rate gratifying to see that the Government is determined
to pursue a bold and progressive policy in meeting the Colony's
future needs. We hope to deal with other points in the Budget when
we have had time to digest its full provisions.

DAY BY DAY.

IN A FREE COUNTRY THERE IS
MUCH CLAMOUR WITH LITTLE
SUFFERING; IN A DESPOTIC STATE
THERE IS LITTLE COMPLAINT,
BUT MUCH SUFFERING.—Cicero.

There was a clean bill of health
in the Colony yesterday.

"Rosemary and Rue" is un-
avoidably held over until to-
morrow.

By means of a false order,
several bags of rice, valued at
\$120, were stolen from a Chinese
shop at No. 130, Winglok Street
yesterday.

A Chinese diver employed by
the Kwong Fook Hing shipyard
at Samsui met his death by
drowning yesterday whilst on a
diving operation at the slipway
of the yard. His body was subse-
quently recovered and removed
to the Kowloon Morgue.

An outbreak which subsequent-
ly proved to be short-lived,
brought the Fire Brigade helter-
skelter to the scene at No. 132
Wanchai Road at 10.15 last night.
By the time they arrived the fire
was extinguished with the in-
fliction of very little damage.

The Hon. Treasurer of the
Alice Memorial and Affiliated
Hospitals begs to acknowledge
with thanks the following dona-
tions to the funds of the
Hospitals—Lowe, Bingham &
Matthews, \$50; Newspaper En-
terprise, Ltd., \$25; J. McCubbin,
\$10.

The exodus of prominent offici-
als from Canton has begun.
Yesterday Shum Chun-hsuan,
one of the Administrative
Directors of the Canton Govern-
ment, arrived here on the s.s.
Sinkiang, bound for Shanghai and
was advised by the Police to stay
aboard, whilst General Li Kan-
yuen, one of Tschun Mok's
commanders, arrived by the
Heungshan. The night boat,
Fatsan, did not come alongside
the wharf until this morning, but
anchored off Stonecutters. On
board were the Civil Governor,
the Treasurer and the Comman-
der of the 1st Division, with
about 100 Kwangsi troops, and
these were transferred to another
boat without coming ashore.

During blasting operations con-
ducted at Tai Wan yesterday on
the proposed new road to the new
residential quarters at the Kow-
loon Docks, a piece of rock,
weighing over ten tons, was through
the alleged carelessness of the
coolies, projected into the air for
a distance of some 300 feet. It
dropped over the other side of a
hill, and fell on top of a match-
box. The force was such that it dropped
through the roof, then through a
half inch flooring, and came down
upon the head of a 15-year-old
girl. The girl had her head com-
pletely crushed, but lived for
about half an hour after the
accident. We understand that
enquiries are being made by
Inspector C. Aris into the cir-
cumstances of the accident.

Jewellery and money to the
extent of \$148 was the loss
sustained by a Chinese woman
who fell a victim yesterday to the
confidence trick as practised, with
recurring success it must be
admitted, by local criminals. Two
Chinese men accosted the woman
at Wyndham Street yesterday,
and invited her to go to a restaur-
ant and have a drink. In her
conversation with them she led to
the woman's surrendering her
jewellery and money in
exchange for a bundle of
what purported to be banknotes.
She was asked to change these
notes at a money changer's shop
and meanwhile the men would
keep her properly as security.
After the men had taken their
leave the woman opened the
parcel to discover that it only
contained waste paper. In her
sorrow she betook herself to the
Police Station and made a report
of the swindle, but there is no
hope of recovering the jewellery
which had been stolen from her in
so simple a manner.

INTERPORT CRICKET.

The Shanghai Team.

We are advised that the
Shanghai cricket team which is
to play in the interport contests
will be composed of the follow-
ing—Messrs. Wainwright (Capt.),
Allison, Brook, Clifford, Cobb,
Leach, Morrison, McMeekin,
Ollerdesen, Piercey, Spencer and
Grimshaw.

TO-DAY'S BUDGET
SPEECH.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

Under item 9 I am
asking the Council to vote a
sum of \$100,000 for works at
Government House. The kitchen
and garage blocks are quite
unsuitable for modern require-
ments, and would have been
reconstructed long ago but for the
economy necessitated by the war.
The vote now asked for provides
for their reconstruction and also
for the provision of additional
bedrooms. The existing bedroom
accommodation at Government
House is scarcely adequate for a
Governor, who has any family
of his own, and it is
constantly necessary to provide
for guests who are passing
through Hongkong and who are
entitled to expect to receive the
hospitality of His Majesty's
representative. Additions to the
present building would be very
difficult and costly and I propose
therefore to meet the case by
building a small separate bung-
alow on the grounds, which will
contain two or three bedrooms.
Item 10 provides for the
reconstruction of the Victoria
Hospital and the building
of a maternity wing.
A committee was recently ap-
pointed to advise on the matter
and their recommendations have
been adopted.

HOSPITALS.

Item 11 refers to a proposal
to build a new hospital
to relieve the pressure at the
Civil Hospital where the demand
has outgrown the accommoda-
tion. It is the intention to allow
private practitioners to have
wards in which they can see
their own patients in the new
hospital. The question of the site
is bound up with the
Military Lands question, and it
may not be possible to make a
commencement next year.

Item 12 provides for a building
for an outpatient department for
the Government Civil Hospital,
which should be of great use
both to the Government and to
the University.

Item 13 is in respect of the
rebuilding of Saijyngpun School
on a site on Bonham Road near
the University, which it is hoped
to acquire. The site affords
ample space for a large school on
modern lines.

NEW ROADS.

Under Roads, item 16, I may
call attention to the road from
Bowen Road to Deep Water Bay,
which will provide quicker com-
munication with the southern
side of the island; to the road
from Taitam Gap to Cape
D'Aguilar, which will open up
new country; to the road from
Wanchai Gap, past Magazine
Gap, to Chamberlain Road, which
will open up the Peak to motor
traffic; to the widening of Garden
Road; to the widening and
improvement of the Shaikwan
Road, which forms part of the
scheme for driving a 100' main
road along the line of the present
Praya East out to Shaikwan.

It is not proposed to proceed
with the scheme for widening Queen's
Road East, as the expense is
enormous, and on the completion
of the Praya East Reclamation
there will be a 100' road close by
and parallel to Queen's Road
East.

Under item 17 provision is
made for a cable from the Obser-
vatory to Stonecutters. Wireless
Telegraph Station for the purpose
of sending out time signals.

Item 28 is in respect of furniture
for officers' quarters. It has been
decided with the approval of the
Council to provide heavy furni-
ture for all quarters occupied by
European officers.

Item 30 provides for a Marconi
Bellini Direction Finder which it
is proposed to install at Cape
D'Aguilar in order to assist ship-
ping during the foggy season.

Item 31 provides for the re-
construction of Queen's Statue
Wharf which is long overdue.

Item 37 is in respect of the
Eastern District Filter Beds
which are urgently required to
improve the water service in the
eastern part of the Colony and to
allow for a water supply for the
houses on Broadwood Road. Item
37, 8-inch main from North Point
to Shaikwan is in connection
with the same scheme.

Item 38 provides for an addition-
al main to the Peak which is
necessary to cope with the in-
creasing demand for water at the
Peak.

Item 41 provides additional
plant for the Peak Pumps. Tem-
porary arrangements for a water
supply to Mount Cameron are
proposed under item 42 in order
to encourage the development of
building sites which have been
opened by the Wanchai Gap Road.

Item 43 provides for a water
supply to Repulse Bay.

Items 45 to 48 are in respect of
next year's expenditure by the
Government on the Praya East
Reclamation scheme.

The commencement of a new
Police Station at Yau-mati is pro-
vided for under item 49. Space is
being left for the erection of a
Magistracy which will before
long be required on the Kowloon
side.

KOWLOON HOSPITAL.

The sum of \$50,000 is inserted
under item 51 in respect of the
Kowloon Hospital. It is pro-
posed in the first instance to com-
mence with a small building which
will be capable of expansion when
the needs of Kowloon become
better known. It is considered
desirable that the main hospital
establishments should continue to
be on the island.

Item 53 provides for a Police
Station at Monkotsui, which is
required to cope with the increas-
ing population in that neighbour-
hood.

Under Roads item 55, \$200,000
is provided for the main roads
from Shamshui to Kowloon
City and from Hunghom
to Kowloon City. Provision
is also made for extending
Coronation Road to meet the new
main road from Shamshui to
Kowloon City. \$100,000 is pro-
vided for commencing the work
of surfacing the main roads in
Kowloon in order to fit them to
carry omnibus and similar
traffic.

Item 60 provides the sum of
\$60,000 for filling in the tidal flow
near Tai-kotsui. This filling in
will result in the provision of a
large area of good building sites.

Further provision is made un-
der item 63 for improving
the water distribution service
in Kowloon, and under item
69 \$65,000 is set aside for new
filter beds.

Items 71 and 72 are in respect
of quarters for the Land Bailiff
and the Court House for the
District Officer at Un Long and
new Clerk Quarters at Tai-po.

NEW GAOL.

Under item 73 \$40,000 is provid-
ed for the commencement of the
new Gaol building at Ngau Shi
Wan. The Government has
acquired from the Kai Tak
Reclamation Company an area of
16 acres of reclaimed ground
at the eastern end of
Kowloon City Reclamation,
upon which it is proposed
to erect the Gaol and the Police
School. The site is admirably
situated for both purposes and
there is in the immediate neigh-
bourhood a very large quantity of
granite upon the working of which
it is proposed to employ the
prisoners.

A diaphone fog signalling in-
stallation at Waglan is provided
for under item 74. The Harbour
Master who goes on leave next
spring is proceeding to Canada in
order to study this system which
has been successfully employed
on the Canadian coast.

Under item 75 \$17,000 is
provided for a new school build-
ing at Cheung Chau.

Item 77 refers to roads in the
New Territories. \$15,000 is set
apart for widening the Tai-po
Road between the third and fifth
milestones, and \$100,000 is
provided for metalling and
tar-painting the Laichikok-
Castle Peak and Tai-po
Roads. An additional \$15,000
is provided for improv-
ing the Coastal Road to
Laichikok in order to enable it to
carry the refuse tractors and
trucks to which I have already
referred.

Under items 78 and 84, \$100,000
is provided for training the main
stream at Laichikok and provid-
ing a large basin for the water
boats at its mouth. This work is
rendered necessary by the exten-
sive reclamation schemes which
are in progress or are contem-
plated in this neighbourhood.

\$10,000 is provided under item
79 for sewerage work in connec-
tion with the Kowloon City
Reclamation.

\$200,000 is asked for under
item 80 for continuing the re-
clamation at Shamshui. The
Government is using every
endeavour to induce the Chinese
population to live in this neigh-
bourhood and the rapid growth of
Shamshui testifies to its success
in this connection. It is hoped
that eventually the provision of
housing accommodation both here
and at Kowloon City will relieve
the great congestion now obtain-
ing in the City of Victoria.

Under item 82 provision is
made for a new pier at Cheung
Chau.

Item 83 refers to the refuse
dump near Laichikok, of which I
have already spoken.

Item 88 sets aside a sum of
\$30,000 for a filtering waterworks
scheme. The Government pro-
poses to take over the system

which now belongs to the Golf
Club, and to supply water to the
neighbourhood.

RECORD-VOTE.

The total expenditure on
Public Works Extraordinary
amounts to a sum of \$4,967,400,
an amount which is far in excess
of any vote in former years. It
will probably be necessary to
strengthen the staff of the
Public Works Department in
order to enable it to carry out the
programme; but I may mention
that I am prepared, if necessary,
to place work in the hands of
private firms both to relieve the
pressure on the Government
staff and for the purpose of
encouraging local enterprise.
The development of the Home
stead site has been entrusted to
Messrs. Little, Adams, and Wood,
and Messrs. Denison, Ram and
Gibbs are erecting a house for the
Government at the eastern end of
Findlay Road.

I have no hesitation in asking
for this large sum of money. I
consider it to be of the utmost
importance that the Government
should be in its power not merely
to keep pace with but to anticipate
the growth and expansion of this
progressive Colony.

KOWLOON MOTOR BUS SERVICE.

I may take this opportunity to
refer to schemes of development
which are not touched on or are
barely touched on in these
estimates. There is in the first
place the proposed motor omnibus
service for Kowloon. Tenders
will shortly be invited for a
service which will maintain a
fixed schedule at cheap rates
along the main Kowloon roads,
with a view to opening up out-
lying districts. It is not the
intention of the Government to
make money out of the scheme,
which may possibly be run at
a loss, at least at the com-
mencement. I do not propose
that the service should be main-
tained by the Government as I
consider that an enterprise of this
nature is better left in private
hands.

THE HOUSING PROBLEM.

I may refer in this connection
to the housing problem. Under
its policy of building loans the
Government has advanced or has
arranged to advance \$1,000,000,
in exchange for which it has secur-
ed the erection of 11 houses and
20 flats in Hongkong, 67 houses
and 63 flats in Kowloon,
and "one house at Fanling.
It has under consideration
schemes for the extension of the
enterprising Colony at Ho Mun
Tin and for the development,
possibly on Garden City lines,
of a large area at Kowloon Tong.

The chief obstacles have hitherto
been inadequacy of communica-
tions, which will be largely
remedied by the omnibus service,
and the necessity for preparing
in advance proper town-planning
schemes which will ensure
the best use being made of
the ground. Progress is being
made with the work as
fast as possible but the many
other calls upon the Public
Works Department preclude the
possibility of an early completion.
It is the sincere hope of the
Government that the Kai Tak
Reclamation Scheme at Kowloon
City will meet with the success
which is anticipated by the
Promoters. The Promoters have
been somewhat handicapped by
lack of the funds necessary to
complete so ambitious a project,
but a very large amount of good
building land in one of the
best situations in the Colony
is now available, and when
once a start is made develop-
ment should proceed rapidly.

The new omnibus and ferry
services and the new roads to
Kowloon City will no doubt
prove of considerable assistance.
On the island of Hongkong the
road to Wanchai Gap has already
led to several enquiries for build-
ing sites, and the enterprise of the
Hongkong Hotel Company at
Repulse Bay foreshadows the
rapid development of that
neighbourhood. The Govern-
ment is in treaty with the
Dairy Farm for the release of
some of the land now under
grass at Pokfulam, and applica-
tions have been received for
permission to build upon a Farm
Lot on Pokfulam Road which
has recently been resumed.
Arrangements have been and are
being made for the conversion of
farm lots at Wongneichong, for
the purpose of the erection of a
large number of houses. The
question of the resumption of
Military Lands in Victoria is
appreciably nearer solution.

I may say here that I have
been at some pains to ascer-
tain to what extent there
is an actual shortage of
housing accommodation for Euro-
peans, but without any very de-
finite result. That there is a
shortage appears to be generally
admitted but I have been struck

by an advertisement which has
for some time past been appear-
ing in the Press to the effect that
a number of European flats are
available for occupation on
Coronation Road. I understand
that the flats are in every way
suitable but that enquirers con-
sider the distance from the
Star Ferry Wharf to be too
great; and are not apparently
disposed to use the Yau-mati
Ferry which is close by. Pro-
spective tenants can hardly
expect that in towns of consan-
tly rising land values, such as
Victoria and Kowloon, they can
continue to rent dwellings at
cheap rentals within easy
distance of their offices. The
question is primarily an economic
one which cannot be greatly
affected by Government action.
The Government can probably
do little more than endeavour to
secure that existing possibilities
are made the most of
and I may say in this connection
that I have under consideration
the question of taking steps to
ensure that suitable land is not
allowed to remain unoccupied.

THE SALARIES INCREASE.

With regard to the Estimates
generally, I have not attempted
to deal in detail with the very
large number of changes brought
about by the salary revision
schemes. The increase in salaries
has ranged between 20 and 30%
in the great majority of cases,
and the total additional cost is in
the neighbourhood of \$1,000,000.
It has been the aim of the Gov-
ernment to abolish as far as
possible all allowances and
special payments and to make
an officer's salary cover the
whole of the duties which he
may be called upon to perform.
In addition to increases of salary
important concessions have been
granted as regards passages,
housing, leave and acting pay,
and exchange. Exchange is the
principal difficulty with which
the Government has to contend
in fixing an adequate rate of re-
muneration, and that difficulty
has been accentuated by the
violent fluctuations in the dollar
during recent years. If the dollar
were to return to the pre-war
level the whole situation would
doubtless have again to be re-
viewed, but in the meantime equipage
has been to a certain
extent established by the intro-
duction of a sliding scale, where-
under, as the dollar ranges be-
tween 4s. 8d. and 2s. 6d., sterling
salaries are converted at rates
ranging between \$10 and \$12 to
the pound sterling.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS.

In conclusion I may say that I
regard the Colony's present
financial position as satisfactory
and I consider that the prospects
for the future are bright. The
difference of about two million
dollars between the estimated
revenue and the
estimated expenditure need
cause no anxiety. It is fully
accounted for by the large pro-
gramme of public works, many of
which are proper charges on the
accrued balances of the past
which, as I said last year, I con-
sider cannot be utilised to better
purpose than in furthering the
development of the Colony. In
the future, expenditure will no
doubt continue to grow, and we
have foreshadowed large schemes
of development, such as that in
connection with the harbour,
which will cost large sums of
money; but the past history of
Hongkong gives good ground for
confidence that this wealthy
community will find little
difficulty in shouldering its future
burdens. As I have already said
I feel that it is necessary to take
steps to raise from other sources
some part of the revenue which
we are losing owing to diminished
opium receipts but I do not con-
sider that the circumstances are
such as to necessitate any far-
reaching schemes of new taxation
at the present time. Slight
readjustments which this lightly
taxed community can easily bear
will, I believe, provide all that
we require for the moment.

It is unfortunately the case that
China is still crippled by internal
dissension, and the acute situation
which has recently arisen close
to our border is reflected in the
stagnation of trade which is
depressing the Colony's markets.
I may express the hope that a
satisfactory settlement will
speedily be reached and that our
neighbours in Canton will then
enter upon the era of prosperity
which is bound to come as soon
as the country is at peace.

TRIBUTE TO K.R.A.

Before I sit down, I should
like to take this opportu-
nity of expressing my ap-
preciation of the assistance
which the Kowloon Residents'
Association has afforded me in
connection with various matters
affecting the interests of this
(Continued on Page 12.)

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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

GOVERNMENT AND GERMAN PROPERTY.

A Decision Explained.

London, October 26.
The British Government's decision not to exercise the right to seize German property, mentioned previously, is due to a desire by the Government that the uncertainty on the part of individual Germans as regards their property in England should be removed and that resulting injury to British commercial and shipping interests should be obviated. The effect of the clause of the Treaty as it stood was merely to prevent German shippers, owing to fear of possible seizure, placing their goods on British ships, with the result that such trade would be diverted to other shipping.

BRITISH PRISONERS IN RUSSIA.

Hopes of Immediate Release.

London, October 26.
In the House of Commons, replying to Sir W. H. Dawson, Mr. Bonar Law stated that information which the Government had received from the Soviet Government gave it reason to believe that arrangements were being made for the immediate release of British prisoners in Russia. The first party of Russians in Britain would leave on the 25th and it was hoped they would shortly be exchanged on the Polish frontier for about thirty Britishers, including Military Missionaries. He hoped shortly for the exchange of the Baku prisoners for 300 Russians from Egypt and Constantinople.

A ROYAL BEREAVEMENT.

London, October 26.
A Zurich telegram announces the death of the Duchess of Saxe-Coburg, formerly the Duchess of Edinburgh.

IMPROVING ROADS.

Votes at To-day's Council Meeting.

Several sums to cover expenditure on new roads and improving existing ones were referred to the Finance Committee at to-day's Council meeting and subsequently approved. These included the following:

A sum of \$51,000 for the branch road from Wong Nei Chong Valley to Wanchai Gap.

A sum of \$11,500 for the road contouring the hillside in Wong Nei Chong and Tai Hang Valleys.

A sum of \$15,000 for improvements to the Pokfulam Road.

A sum of \$1,010 for improving the existing road from Taitam Gap to Shaukiwan.

Another vote covered a sum of \$69,700, which includes, in regard to Kowloon, a sum of \$3,000 for a latrine adjoining Market Street and a sum of \$29,450 for general works on roads; and, in regard to the New Territories, the following items:—Improvement of road from Cheung Chai Village to the Pak Tai Temple, \$1,400; Tai-po Road, widening and improving road between 3rd and 5th miles, \$15,000; road from Sheung Shui Station to Cross Roads \$1,800; approach road, 10-feet wide, to Sheung Shui Police Station, \$400; road from Tai-po Road to Tai-po Market Station, \$5,000.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

New Bills Read.

The Legislative Council met to-day, those present being:—
H. E. the Governor (Sir Reginald Edward Stubbs K.C.M.G.) presiding.
H.E. the General Officer Commanding, Major Gen. F. Ventris, C.B.
The Hon. Mr. A.G.M. Fletcher, C.B.E., Colonial Secretary.
The Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, C.B.E., Attorney General.
The Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G., Director of Public Works.
The Hon. Mr. D. W. Treatman, Acting Colonial Treasurer.
The Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, O.R.E., Secretary for Chinese Affairs.
The Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving.
The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C.
The Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Farr.
The Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak.
The Hon. Mr. Ho Fook.

FINANCIAL VOTES.
A big batch of financial votes was referred to the Finance Committee and subsequently approved. Amongst them were the following:—
\$2,000 in aid of the vote Sanitary Department, nightsoil receptacles.
\$50,000 in aid of the vote Education, Building Grant for Holy Trinity College, Canton.
\$11,000 in aid of the following vote:—Police and Prison Department.—Passages and Bonuses in lieu of passages, \$8,000; incidental expenses, \$3,000.
\$2,738 on account of Crown Solicitor's Office, professional charges in connection with an appeal to the Privy Council.

BYE-LAWS APPROVED.
The Council approved of Sanitary Board amendments of the Domestic Cleanliness and Ventilation and Offensive Trades bye-laws.

PROTECTION OF TREES.
A Bill intitled An Ordinance to provide for the protection of trees, shrubs and other plants was read a first time.

The objects and reasons state: Considerable damage has been done in recent years to azaleas by the picking of the flowering branches for the purpose of table and house decoration, and strong action is necessary if this shrub, which used to be such a striking feature of the hillside in the flowering season, is to be saved from practical extermination except in private gardens. It may not be generally known that once the flowering branches are cut, the plant does not produce a further full supply of flowers for at least five years. The plant therefore does not lend itself to the supply of flowers for decoration purposes. Some of the existing azaleas are wild, and others were planted by the Botanical and Forestry Department. It is desired to protect both classes. The bill is primarily intended to provide powers for the protection of azaleas, but it is made general in form as it may be desirable from time to time to protect other plants also.

TRAFFIC IN GIRLS.
A Bill intitled An Ordinance to amend the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance, 1897, was read a first time.

The objects and reasons state: The evils connected with the traffic in girls are so great that fuller powers are desirable for dealing with it. The existing section is insufficient because in cases falling under paragraph (b) of sub-section (1) of section 18 of the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance it is necessary to prove that the girl left or was taken out of the possession of her father or mother or of some other definite person having the lawful care or charge of her. The impossibility of tracing the relatives, and the stupidity or connivance of the girl, sometimes make this proof unobtainable. In the circumstances it does not seem unreasonable to put the onus on any one found in charge of a girl of showing that he obtained charge of her lawfully. The onus is also thrown on the defence of proving that the girl was of full age, or was married, in all cases in which the girl appears to the magistrate to be under 21. In order to prevent prosecution being instituted out of spite or on insufficient grounds the new section requires the consent of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs to all prosecutions under this section.

THREATS OF VIOLENCE.
A Bill intitled An Ordinance to restrain certain acts of intimidation was read a first time.

The objects and reasons state: Cases frequently occur in which threats of violence are used by societies and individuals in order to force the person threatened to do some act which he is not legally bound to do or to abstain from doing some act which he is legally entitled to do. These threats are sometimes carried out, even to the extent of murder. Sometimes the threat is intended to induce a person to do an illegal act, e.g. to join the Triad Society. In other cases it is made in order to build up or retain some exclusive guild privilege which is arbitrarily claimed. The law is not strong enough at present to deal with such threats. The main clause of the bill, clause 2, is based on section 503 of the Indian Penal Code. Clause 3 is intended to cover such cases as that of threats which are made to "third parties" and that of written threats posted up on walls.

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THE UNIVERSITY.

Government Grant of \$1,000,000.

On the recommendation of His Excellency the Governor the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council to-day voted the sum of \$1,000,000 as a grant in aid of the Hongkong University.

In the Finance Committee, Mr. Pollock said he understood that that sum was to be invested and only the income to be applied.

The Colonial Secretary replied that nearly \$600,000 of it was required to pay off an overdraft at the Bank; \$70,000 was required to put back the Endowment Fund and to pay off the Lok Yue loan of \$500,000; and a further sum was required immediately to meet the deficit on the year's working. The balance would be put into a fund, and it would be very carefully watched.

Mr. Pollock:—Then the balance will be comparatively a small amount?

The Colonial Secretary:—Yes, we shall have to build up the Endowment Fund to a million dollars, but the money will be very strictly controlled.

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DAY BY DAY.

Mr. B. Tanner, Headmaster of Queen's College, who is going home on furlough, was, at the To Yuen Restaurant at West Point, last evening entertained by a number of past pupils of the College amongst whom were Mr. Lyson, Mr. Churn, Mr. A. E. Hall, Mr. J. M. Hall, etc.

FAMINE RELIEF.

Generous Response by Hongkong Chinese.

The appeal for funds in aid of the inhabitants of the famine-stricken areas of North China has met with a good response amongst the local Chinese and the indications so far are that a very good sum will be collected for remittance to the Relief Committee. The work of collecting local donations has fallen on the Hon. Mr. Lau Ch Pak and Hon. Mr. Ho Fook, the former of whom informs us that a total of \$50,000 has been collected from the local Chinese business firms and \$60,000 from Chinese residents. The forthcoming A.D.C. productions at the Theatre Royal should help considerably to augment this handsome sum.

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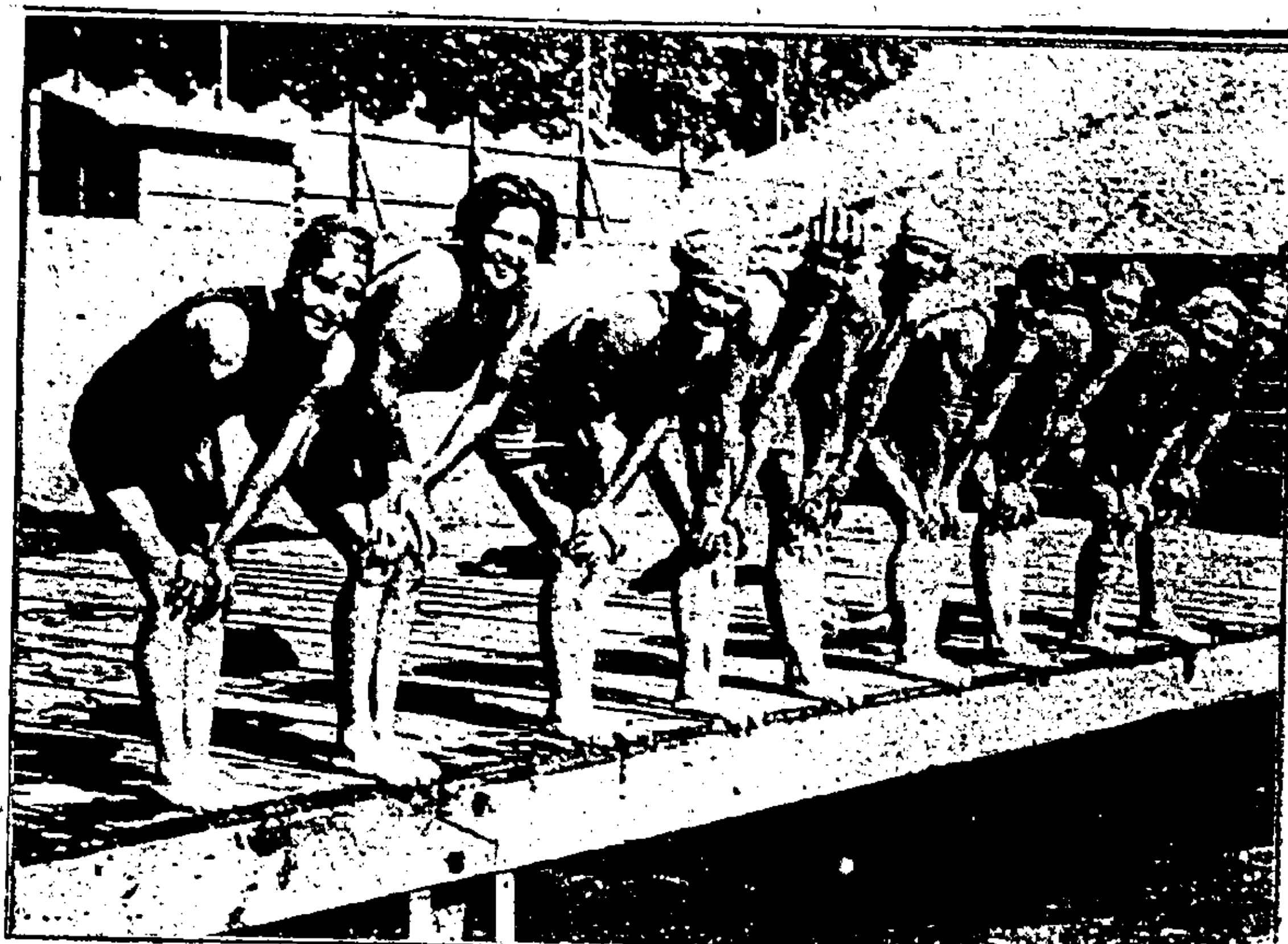


CAMERA NEWS



CHAMPION SWIMMERS.

Three American swimmers photographed in Antwerp where they have won new laurels in the Olympic games. Miss Bleibrey made a new record in the 100 meter swimming contest for women. Miss Boyle was only a trifle behind her and Miss Eileen Riggan, won the spring board diving contest and defeated women from all parts of the world. Left to right, Miss Charlotte Boyle, Miss Eileen Riggan, Miss Elnelda Bleibrey.



OLYMPIC COMPETITORS.

Nine members of the American swimming team of the Olympic Games photographed at Antwerp ready for a practice plunge in the pool.



DUKE OF CONNAUGHT,

who is to visit India in place of the Prince of Wales.



King Albert of Belgium was an interested spectator at the Olympic Games and he presented the prizes to the winners at the conclusion of the contests. The picture shows the King giving a first prize to Miss Aileen Riggan, the youngest competitor in the games, for diving.

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This is a facsimile of one of the eight anarchistic warnings found in letter boxes in Wall-Street, New York, after the bomb disaster. They were printed with rubber stamps. The lower part of the picture shows iron slugs which are believed by the authorities to be parts of the bomb which damaged the financial district near the Morgan Bank.



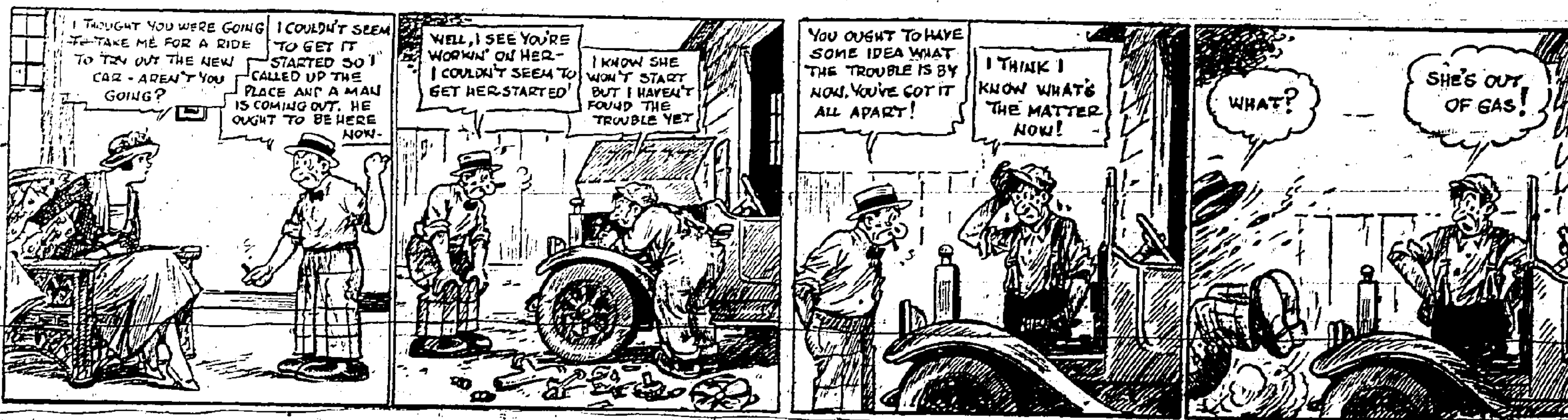
MARSHAL OF THE AIR,

General Sir Hugh Trenchard, who received a baronetcy for his services as the head of the Air Service during the great war and who now bears the title of Marshal of the Air forces and chief of the Air Staff in the Ministry of the Air.

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W. Hargrave A. L.	Nov. 7
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Tayama M. N. Y. K.	Nov. 13
West Ison S. & D.	Nov. 14
Toiyama M. N. Y. K.	Nov. 15
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Ixion B. & S.	Nov. 18
Dakar M. N. Y. K.	Nov. 19
Kamakura M. N. Y. K.	Nov. 21
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Kanawa P. & O.	Nov. 30
Telmachus B. & S.	Nov. 30
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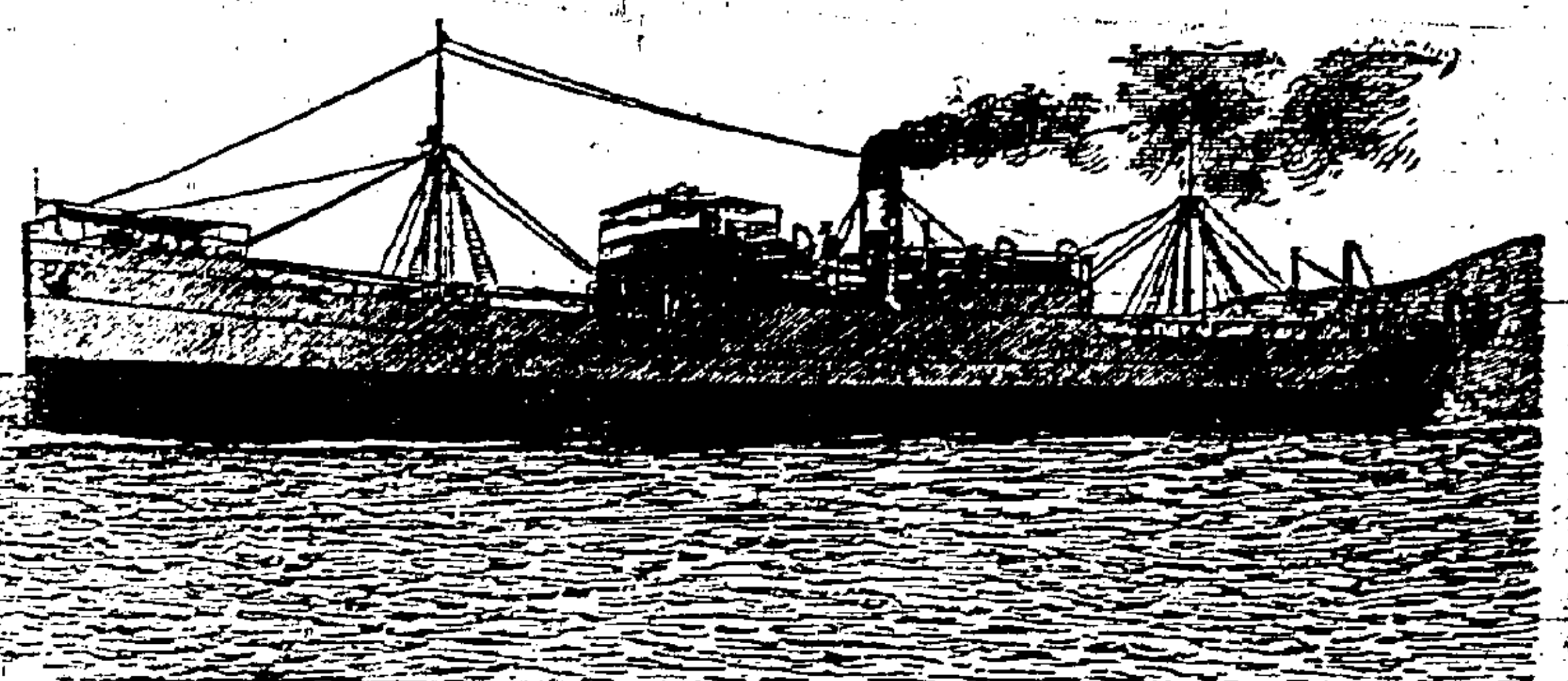
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MANILA	Loongsang	Fri., 29th Oct. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Hopsang	Sun., 31st Oct. at d'light.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Wingsang	Sun., 31st Oct. at noon.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Taksang	Wed., 3rd Nov. at 8 a.m.
SHANGHAI	Kwongsang	Thur., 4th Nov. at d'light.
Kobe	Namsang	Thur., 4th Nov. at 3 p.m.
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SWATOW & BANGKOK	Chusan	2nd Nov. at 10 a.m.
AMOI, SHAI & PUKOW	Shantung	2nd Nov. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Sunning	4th Nov. at noon.
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN	Huichow	4th Nov. at 4 p.m.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	Taming	9th Nov. at 4 p.m.

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The N. Y. K. s.s. TSURUGA M., (Hamburg Line) left Rotterdam for this port via Suez on the 21st Sept. and is expected here on the 6th Nov.

The N. Y. K. s.s. IYOIMARU (European Line) left London for this port via Suez on the 5th October and is expected here on the 14th November.

The N. Y. K. s.s. AWA M. (Liverpool Line) left Liverpool for this port via Suez on the 6th Oct., and is expected here on the 17th Nov.

The T. K. K. s.s. SEIYO M., arrive at Yokohama on the 13th instant and sails on 15th instant, being due at this port 25th inst.

The P. & O. s.s. SOMALI left Colombo for this port on the 19th inst. at a.m., and is due here on the 3rd November.

The N. Y. K. s.s. TOYAMA M. (American Line) left Kobe for this port via Nagasaki, Shanghai and Manila on the 22nd October, and is expected here on the 6th November.

The s.s. PELEUS (Blue Funnel Line) left Shanghai on 23rd inst. for Liverpool via Genoa, and Hongkong; Vessel is due here on 26th inst., and will sail, as above, on 28th instant.

The E. & A. s.s. EASTERN, left Moji for this Port on the 24th inst., and is due here on the 25th instant at about 4 p.m.

The B. I. s.s. JAPAN, left Singapore for this Port on the 24th instant, and is due here on the 30th inst. at about morning.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KAMO M., (European Line) left Singapore for this port on the 24th Oct. and is expected here on the 29th Oct.

The P. & O. s.s. KANOWNA, left Sydney for this Port on the 23rd instant, at noon, with the Australian Mails, and is due here on the 10th November.

The N. Y. K. s.s. SADO M. (European Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 20th inst., and is expected here on the 28th Oct.

The Robert Dollar Company's U. S. S. B. s.s. WEST IRA (San Francisco Line) left Manila on 26th inst., and is due here on 28th October.

The s.s. ORESTES, (Blue Funnel Line) left Suez on 24th October, for Hongkong and is due here on 29th November.

The s.s. PYRRHUS, (Blue Funnel Line) left Suez on 24th October, for Hongkong and is due here on 17th November.

The s.s. ATREUS (Blue Funnel Line) left Singapore on 26th inst. for Hongkong and is due here on 31st inst.

The E. M. S. EMPRESS OF JAPAN, arrived at Yokohama on 27th October, leaves there 27th October, and is due at Hongkong on 4th November.

The Dodwell Line s.s. MUNCASTER CASTLE from New York, left Shanghai on the 25th inst., and is due here on the 28th instant.

The Lloyd Triestino, s.s. AFRICA, in expected to sail from Shanghai on the 1st Nov. due here on the 3rd and sailing hence for Trieste via the usual ports of call on the 5th Nov.

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N. LUND.

Act. Superintendent

Hongkong, Oct. 21, 1920.

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Mlouis, from Racine.

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Overreis, from Melbourne.

Secretary Comrades Great War Association, from Bangkok.

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Zykwaak Astorhouse, from Shanghai.

M. E. F. AIREY,

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TO-DAY'S BUDGET SPEECH.

(Continued from Page 6.)

District of the Colony. When I first arrived in Hongkong I said that I had been accustomed in my former Colony to ask for and to receive the assistance of all sections of the community in matters of public interest and that I hoped to follow the same practice here. The Kowloon Residents Association have taken me at my word and we have consulted each other on a number of occasions with results which have, I hope, been satisfactory to both parties.

Last Year's Deficit Provided For.

Prior to His Excellency's Budget speech, the Hon. Colonial Secretary moved the first reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to authorize the Appropriation of a Supplementary Sum of Four million and twenty-six thousand three hundred and thirty-six Dollars and eleven Cents to defray the Charges of the year 1919. The Bill provides for this sum to be expended as follows:—

Harbour Master's Department,	\$ 34,606.10.
Miscellaneous Services,	3,821,703.60.
Police and Prison Departments,	23,941.94.
Public Works,	120,509.87.
Charitable Services,	25,374.60.

In moving the first reading, the Colonial Secretary stated that the object of the Bill was to give legislative sanction to the expenditure incurred during 1919 which was not voted in the Budget of that year, but which was subsequently approved by the Council. The sum asked for was a large one, but he would point out that although expenditure had increased in certain Departments, savings had been effected in other Departments. The total extra expenditure was over \$5,000,000, but a saving had been effected of over \$2,000,000, leaving a net deficit of over \$3,000,000. By far the largest item (practically the whole of

the sum) consisted of the Government's expenditure on its rice undertaking. It would be seen on page 13 of the comparative statement that the loss on rice was \$3,087,749.45. But owing to the Government's undue pessimism they undervalued the stocks of rice they held at the end of 1919, and over \$379,950 was realised more than was expected when the stocks were sold in the spring of the year. Therefore, the Government's net loss on its rice transaction was \$2,707,799.45. The details of that Bill would, in accordance with the usual practice, be considered by the Finance Committee.

The Adjournment.

His Excellency:—The question now arises as to the date of adjournment. It will not be possible to take the second reading of the Budget before the 18th of November, as I do not desire to proceed without the assistance of Mr. Johnston and Mr. Holyoak, who will not be back till then. The question is whether we shall defer all further business, or whether we shall have a meeting next week.

On the suggestion of Mr. Pollock, it was agreed to adjourn until November 18 at 2.30 p.m.

METEOROLOGICAL.

	Previous Day	on 27th	on 28th
Barometer	29.96	29.99	29.99
Temperature	77	70	77
Humidity	63	83	61
Wind Direction	ESE	E	E
Wind Force	2	1	2
Weather	b	b	b
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00
Highest open air Temperature on the 27th	77		
Lowest open air Temperature on the 28th	69		
H.K. Observatory, Oct. 28, 1920.			
C.W. JEFFRIES, Director.			

FAMINE RELIEF.

Council Votes \$100,000.

At to-day's meeting of the Legislative Council, a recommendation was made to the Finance Committee by His Excellency the Governor that the Council should vote the sum of \$100,000 to the Famine Relief Fund in North China.

His Excellency said:—Before putting this motion to the Council, I will draw your attention specially to Financial Minute 97, which provides for a grant of \$100,000 in aid of charitable services. The sum represents the contribution which the Government thought it right to give in aid of the relief of the distress in North China. The Colony owes so much to its connection with the Chinese Republic that I am sure everybody will think it right that we should assist to relieve the sufferings of the people of North China. The matter was one which required to be dealt with as quickly as possible. In order to do that hon. members were consulted privately and unanimously agreed. The money had, in fact, already been forwarded to His Majesty's Charge d'Affaires at Peking. In the Finance Committee, Mr. Pollock said that he understood that there was considerable distress in South China and he did not know whether that had come to the ears of the Government.

The Colonial Secretary said that, of course, the Government had heard that there was distress, and if an acute situation arose the Government would no doubt make provision. There was nothing definite before the Government at the present time.

The vote was unanimously agreed to.

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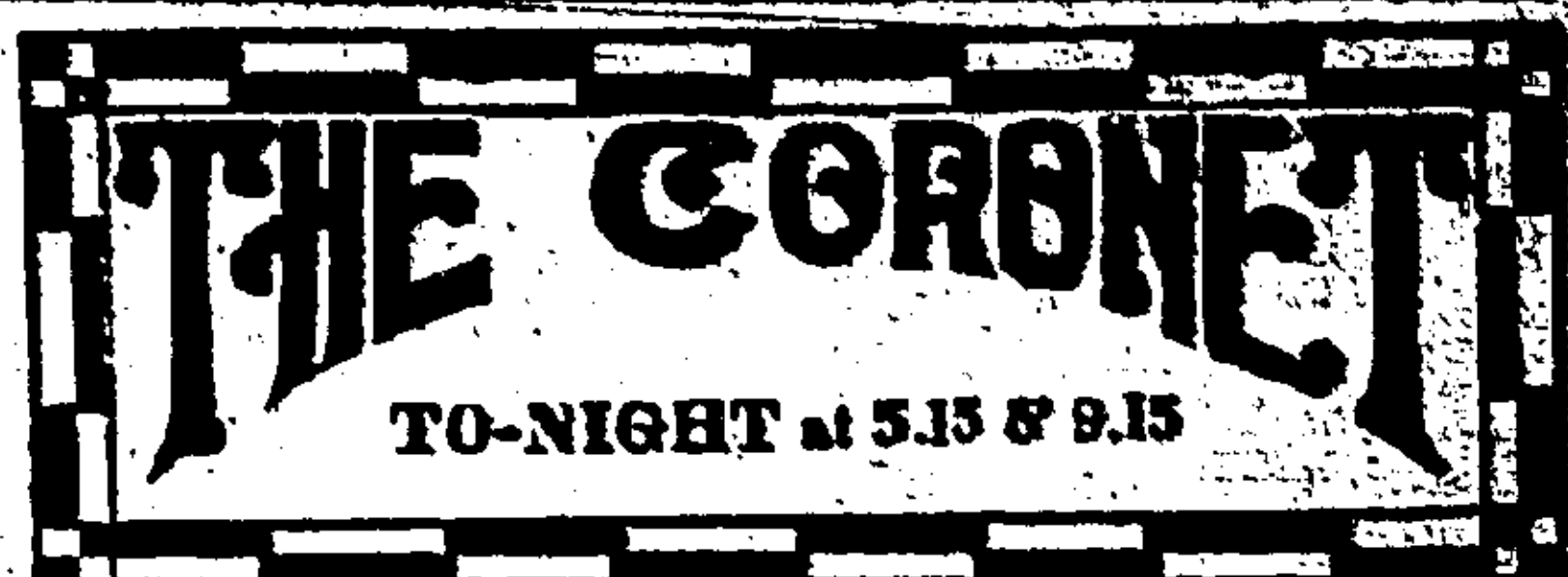
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Date	High Water	Low Water	Height
Oct. 25	Oct. 26	Oct. 27	Oct. 28
Mon. 25	7 25	1 43	3.5
Tue. 26	8 11	2 33	2.8
Wed. 27	9 2	3 3	2.5
Thur. 28	10 17	4 25	1.7
Fri. 29	11 47	5 11	1.3
Sat. 30	12 48	5 11	1.3
Sun. 31	1 3	5 11	1.3

m morning, a afternoon.

TO-DAY'S SHARE QUOTATIONS.

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Banks		
H.K. & S. Banks	b.	650
East Asia	b.	117
Marine Insurances.		
Cantons	n.	370
North China	n.	153
Unions	n.	187
Yangtzes	n.	23
Far Easterns	n.	20
Fire Insurances.		
China Fire	n.	128
H.K. Fire	n.	318
Shipping.		
Douglases	s.	54
H.K. Steamboats	b.	25
Indos (Prof.)	n.	16 1/2
Indos (Det.) L.R.	n.	185
Shells	b.	140/-
Ferries	b.	25 1/2
Refineries.		
Sugars	sa.	215
Malabons	n.	55
Mining.		
Kailash	b.	120/-
Langkai	n.	15 1/2
Shanghai Loans	n.	15 1/2
Shai Explorations	n.	1
Rancho	n.	25/-
Transh	n.	15/-
Ural Caspians	n.	15/-
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.		
H.K. Wharves	b.	89 1/2
K. Docks	b.	145
S'hai Docks	b.	110
N. Engineerings	n.	25
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.		
Centrals	b.	118
H.K. Hotels	n.	180
H.K. Lands	b.	123
H'phreys Est.	n.	8.19
K'loon Lands	b.	40
L. Reclamations	n.	140
West Points	n.	52
Cotton Mills.		
Ewos	n.	400
Kung Yiks	n.	25
Lee Kung Mows	n.	150
Orientalis	n.	150
S'hai Cottons	b.	185
Yangtzeopos	n.	22 1/2
Miscellaneous.		
Cements	b.	9 1/2
China Borneos	n.	7.30
Do. Light old	n.	5.30
China Providents	b.	8.00
Dairy Farms	b.	21 1/2
Electric H.K.	n.	18 1/2
Electric Macao	n.	30
Hongkong Ropes	b.	24
Hk. Tramways	b.	7 1/2
Peak Trams, old	b.	7 1/2
Do. new	b.	70 1/2
Steam Laundries	b.	4 1/2
Steel Foundries	n.	10
Water-works	sa.	16
Watsons	sa.	7 1/2
Wm. Powells	sa.	14 1/2
Wisemans	b.	31

Hongkong, Oct. 28, 1920.

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